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Bersaglieri is gone!!!! So if you wish to see Marc Peters country smahed by Jeff Bohner in the Utah game you will have to sub to Bersag. by writing Tom Mainardi at 1403 Lawrence Rd. Havwertown, Pa. 19083. His sub fees are 60¢ per issue.

Last week I rec'd a note from Bruce Linsey and it seems I am in direct violation of his Houserule amendment #12! It ~~seems~~ that calling Linsey a dunderhead can get you expelled from the Voice of Doom sub list and any VOD game you might be playing in. I would never have violated such a rule if I knew I about it. But my VOD houserules fell in the fire place about 2 months ago (kept the house warm for 3 days too!!). When I asked Linsey for another set of rules for VOD players he told me I would have to send him 71¢ to cover the cost of **mailing** his HR. Anyway I'm still saving up and one of these years I plan to have enough money to get a new set of rules. I just hope I don't violate another HR. in the meantime!

About 2 weeks ago one of my closest friend's grandmother died. Just to keep Fassio happy his name is Ken Jingoian and he abhors diplomacy and the people who play the game. (he bases this feeling on the fact that he knows Mainardi). Anyway after the Viewing about a dozen of us went out went out for ~~A couple~~ several drinks. Ken sometime during the night remembered the first time he went to a Viewing. He was going show off his knowledge of Armenian. In the Armenian language there is a term you use to say to all the unmarried people at a wedding (translated ti means something like "I hope you are next"). Then there is a phrase you use to tell the family of someone who has just passed away. Well this was the last time Ken spoke Armenian, as he told everyone at the viewing "I hope you are next". I've known Ken since we were both three (although I feel I deserve an award for that, it could be worse it could have been Eric Ozog that I grew up with). Anyway Ken has done quite a few foolish, place foot in mouth things during his life, such as the article below. Sure I agree with the contents of it but I'm planning on visiting Europe this fall and besides I have half a dozen European Subbers who pay big bucks for this zine, so I'd never write anything like this!

"European Anniversary Celebration Slated for Calendar year '83" by Ken Jingoian

Segments of the Entire European community are taking part in one of the most emotional and historically accurate anniversary celebrations of all time. Not since the Spanish Inquisition has so much feisty, patholological, typically European fun been had. The celebration encompasses the entire continent, without respect for national boundaries, and includes skinny and forgetful Europeans from all walks of life.

Yes, 1983 marks the 45th anniversary of the mindless misguided teachings of Neville Chamberlain, part time Prime Minister, part time pin-head and full time patsy. Chamberlain's unparalleled achievement in foreign policy won him the 1938 Nobel Prize for self lobotomy and 1983 promises to produce yet another European winner. Anti-nuclear demonstrations in Europe speak of this, yet another lesson of history unheeded.

Demonstrations against nuclear war seem slightly redundant, sort of like demonstrating against hitting yourself on the head with a hammer. No one with any degree of sanity would argue for nuclear war. Yet the focus of these demonstrations is once again the inevitable culprit, the good old USA, who finances, plans and deploys the defense of Western Europe, is being told to shove it up the old seat warmer one more time- as if we were ramming Pershing missles down their throats. European would much rather stare into the trajectory of Soviet SS-20 missles from the comfort of their humble farms and outhouses. Frankly, U.S. concerns over European hides are growing thin and the removal of U.S. troops and weapons

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from the region would suit most Americans very well. But there are those who remember our friend Neville and the Holocaust that followed his insidious strategies and continue to try to make their case. No one would think to demonstrate against Soviet weaponry because it is too fashionable to kiss the Bear's ass these days. The Soviets wouldn't think of a really using the military hardware they have produced and deployed in the last ten years. And the reason why it exceeds the U.S. arms production by 4 or 5 times must be just a cute little Communist way to reduce Soviet unemployment. Yes, that must be it.

The U.S.S.R. is and always has been a force of good and justice in the world, right? By the way are the demonstrators protesting against the methods of the KGB agents recently deported from France and the United Kingdom? Of course not, they might anger the Soviet Union and minutes later be vaporized. Could that be the reason that the voice of the people in the Eastern Bloc countries is so noticeably silent. Hmm. Besides it was all just a big mistake, right? Those KGB guys were probably just caught in the act of filming a James Bond movie, a remake of 'From Russia with Love'.

Oh well not to worry, Europe. Good guys usually do finish last and I suppose we'll never run out of other cheeks to turn. So keep thumbing your noses at America, but keep in mind that history invariably repeats itself.

((I have a horrible premonition that when I go to Holland Hauke Jansen is going to allow me to stay in the out house or at best share the dog house with his mutt. Well just so they don't take me to any anti-nuclear rallies, Coughlan is already clamoring to attend such a thing.))

Pat Hart has sent i yet another of his famousr Dip scriptions, this month Julie Martin

<u>NAME:</u> JULIE GLASS MARTIN	<u>SEX:</u> Kinky
<u>NICKNAME:</u> Mistress	<u>HAIR:</u> Flowing
<u>HOME:</u> Maryland	<u>EYES:</u> PENETRATING
<u>BIRTHDATE:</u> I don't dare ask	<u>LOOKS:</u> Demanding
<u>BIRTHSIGN :</u> My way	
<u>NOTED FOR:</u> Sleeping Beauty	<u>AMBITION:</u> Look as good when awake
<u>TURN ON:</u> Being Mrs Crud Martin	<u>TURNOFF:</u> Blueberry whip
<u>FAVORITE IDOL:</u> Xaveria Hollander	<u>FAVORITE MOVIE:</u> Wife mistress
<u>FAVORITE SONG:</u> Call Me (Blondie)	<u>FAVORITE PHRASE :</u> I like it like that
<u>FAVORITE GAME:</u> Retaliation	<u>FAVORITE HOBBY:</u> Lady in waiting
<u>FAVORITE FOOD:</u> Blueberry Muffins	<u>FAVORITE DRINK:</u> ANY berry ade

FAVORITE POEM : Julie Galss has finally won; She and Dick are as one;
One wonders how much longer; From Dip she'll be a goner

A LETTER, an actual letter (from John Caruso 160-02 43rd Ave Flushing, Ny 11358)

Woody,
What do you think of a person who takes a "not for print" letter and makes copies of it and passes it around to other people? To me, "NFP" means just that, NFP in any way shape or form. And reprinting it whether by copier, photo offset, etc, is a form of printing. Such a person is, at the minimum, showing unethical practices.

((John the best thing to do with such a person is to have absolutely nothing to do with him. First however you should thank the scum. This guy (crook) will help you to appreciate others in this hobby. You will find people like this in every walk of life, he's the Nixon of Diplomacy. Take Bruce Linsey for instance. Signing up for a game of Dip in linsey's zine was the best thing I could have ever done. I now appreciate the other GM s I have played under. Also I now know how not to GM!))

Last month I wrote Chapter 2 for Mike Mazzer in his series on How to Play Dip like a Consummate genius. But it seems that Mazzer did not care for my ideas on playing Austria. So Mike has written has sent me chapter 2 this month. He of course is proving that he is my 'harrassment factor' by not typing his own work. Well since I gave Bob Olsen 2 free issues for Mazzer's chapter 1, which Mazzer typed. I have decided to deduct 4 issues from Olsen's COA sub since I have to use my electricity and wear and tear on my typewriter. (I'll fix that Mazzer yet)

Chapter 2 How to Win as Austria, or, Dream on, Sucker! by Mike Mazzer

There is a general misconception that Austria has very little chance of winning. This is not true. Austria has NO chance of winning. If Russia, Turkey and Italy all NMR in fall '01, Austria might, with skilled guidance, achieve a four or five way draw. But don't bet on it. If you have Austria high on your preference list, then do not bother to read the rest of this article, since you are clearly an airhead. If you have the misfortune to have drawn Austria, then this article intends to help you redirect your ambitions so as to make the best of a hopeless situation.

AUSTRIAN OBJECTIVES

1. Getting even

One possible objective for Austria is to get revenge on someone who walked on you in the past. If that person is Italy, Turkey, Russia or Germany, then one good strategy is to, for example, cede your centers to Italy and ally with Turkey against Russia. Or cede your centers to Russia and Turkey and kamikaze against Italy. Or cede your centers to Russia, Italy and Turkey and go after Germany. (for example: Spring '01: Austria- A Vie- Boh, A Bud- Vie, F Tri- H: Italy- A Ven- Tyo, A Rom- Ven, F Nap- Ion: Russia- A War- Sil, followed by fall '01: Austria- A Boh S Russian A Sil- Mun, A Vie- Sil, F Tri-H (defeated and retreats OTB); Italy- A Tyo S A Ven- Tri, F Ion- Gre; Turkey- A Bul- Ser; Austria builds A Vie in winter '01)

2. Building an image

Another possible objective, if you aren't sore at anyone (i.e. you don't know anyone else in the game) is to use the situation to create a "nice guy image". I did this myself in a recent game. As Austria, I got pretty pulped (as usual) by Italy, Russia and Turkey. France, who was even dumber than I, got stomped by Germany and England and soon found himself left with one unit left in Piedmont. I had about two or three units left as Turkey was taking his sweet time about killing me, so I offered to support the French unit to Venice! It was purely for the "image" effect since it had no bearing on the game. France thought I was a saint. He continually wrote me telling me how "decent" I was, and how he fervently hoped to get in a game with me "under better circumstances". I told him I looked forward to it. If we ever do get in another game, I'll cut his liver out. (Unless of, course I draw Austria) In Diplomacy, you must always consider the next game.

3. Propaganda value

To the skilled press writer, Austria offers the greatest opportunity for playing to the gallery. Any Austria worth his salt should be able to wring tears of sympathy from players and spectators alike at his miserable demise. One word of caution: Occasionally, just occasionally, you will get Austria and have mental midgets as Russia, Turkey and Italy, and Austria might be able to gain centers early. Resist this temptation at all costs! Remember, when you are Austria, victory is but a mirage. Rapid growth only destroys your opportunity to reap propaganda benefit. And there is nothing more heartbreaking then watching an Austria surge to 10 in 1903, only to be reduced to 2 in 1904. For example see Woody's Austria in 82W, or Bob Olsen's in 79KW. To his credit, Bob learned from his early catastrophe and is now the consummate master as Austria. There is no one who can milk sympathy while his Austria is being crushed like an insect. It is Bob Olsen who should be writing this chapter.

NEXT INSTALLMENT: chapter 3, England, A Feast for Dullards.

The following is yet another contribution which was received UNtyped! What are Typewriters a luxury item outside of Phila? Here we have a game developed by our very own "Naked Man" Gregory Stewart. Greg did not name the game so let's call it the Naked Game.

1. Use standard wargame procedures.
2. Numbers at top are: Attack- Defense-Movement
3. Limit of 2 per stack
4. When attacking, roll one die per unit attacking. If a "G" is rolled for a particular unit, then that unit must use his/her power. Otherwise normal combat.(see combat table)
5. Player sequence: A. General's army moves, B. General's Army combat
C. Desperate Army moves, D. Desperate Army attacks E. Go to next turn
(roll die to see where dog goes)

**** Combat**

1. Roll die for powers (defender also rolls die for power)
 2. use powers if applicable 3. normal combat
6. Victory condition: Eliminate other players 'key piece'. At the start each player assigns one unit as himself or his key piece. Loss of key piece is eliminated, key piece is secret, just write the name of your key piece on a piece of paper at game's out set.
 7. Zones of control; optional
 8. POWERS
- DESPERATE MAN: Evil genius, capable of eliminating any adjacent unit immediately Desperate man's choice.
- SPIDER SWIDER: Poisonous spider juice, -1 on enemy combat roll
- WOODY: Woody runs in panic full movement factor
- HOBBIT SLOSSAR: Spitball, break off combat immediately
- HART ATTACK: Roll die, 1 or 2- Hart dies, 3, 4, or 5 nothing 6-adjacent enemy dies (enemy choice)
- CARUSO: Can Hail in any friendly unit to this combat immediately
- C. CUNNING: Charm enemy not to defend himself this round (defense 1)
- RUSTY SPOON LEUDI: Digs big hole, adds 4 to his defense factor this turn
- ANCIENT ANDERSON: Dies from old age
- GOLDEN ARCHES HANSON: Causes one enemy (enemies choice) to flee battle scene due to diarrhea
- DEL GRANDE: Joins enemy
- MAGUS LANGLEY: Magic zap, adds 4 to his attack factor this round
- KATHY BYRNE: Cannot be eliminated this turn
- IG LEW: Freezes all units adjacent for one turn
- COWBOY HAT: Throws boomerang steel cowboy hat, get free attack on any enemy unit within 3 squares without penalty to Pearson
- ERICANE: Produces scroll which can cancel enemy power one time. May use anytime after scroll is produced.
- ORC OZOG: Causes one enemy (orcs choice) to flee
- MOS EISLEY MICHALSKI: Nukes a square, roll 1- Miss, 2- enemy unit destroyed, 3- miss 4- Michalski destroyed, 5- Enemy unit destroyed, 6- Michalski and enemy destroyed
- DUCK WILLIAMS: May fly anywhere next movement phase
- BARNO: USES shogun's sword, add 4 to either combat or defense factor this turn.
- GENERAL FAREWELL: Dispatch orders; bring up any allied unit of choice into combat
- SCIENTIST HAIL: Uses stolen desp device to destroy any adjacent enemy unit.
- BERCH: SURRENDERS AND IS REMOVED FROM BOARD
- DETROIT OSBORNE: Motwn power, reassemble one unit of choice (1,2 enemy unit 3,4,5,6 allied unit)
- SPACEMAN FASSIO: Beam me up captain, can teleport any unit (except on enemy units or where stack limits are exceeded)
- FRAUKE PETERSON: Lassie with the classy chasis; either destroy Hanson unit or repel attacker (attacker back 2)
- CUSTODIAN DIPPY DITTER: Keeper of the flame; enemy must name two units which are not the key piece.

CALIF BROWN: THE ORIGINAL murdering minister; adds 4 to offense this turn

BRUX: IF Woody unit is destroyed may throw lightning bolt up to two squares, otherwise makes insults at Woody.

COUNT OLSEN: Vlad D. Drac roll 1- Control permanently, one adjacent enemy unit (until count Vlad dies) 2,3,4,- add one to defense factor this turn. 5,6- join opposing side

MARK LASERIERE: Phaser power! 1-zap any unit unit on board, 2,3,4,5- miss 6- Laser overloads and Laserlewe annihilated

TOXIC WASTE SAMPSON: Perishes from exposures to toxic waste

MAZZER: XXX: 1,2- mildly drunk +1 to attack and defense this turn, 3,4- very drunk, no bonus; 5-shit faced defense -1 6-Terminal D.T. Mazzer OTB

CRUD: Panics (retreat two)

JULIE GLASS: Wiolds rolling pin; Crud immobile for three turns plus adds three to attack this turn

CARTER of CANADA: Lobs Canadian love globes, defense goes up one permanently

MAINARDI: Has connections; 1-rub out all (generals choice) 2-rub out enemy (opponents choice) 3- rub out ally (desperate mans choice) 5- accidentally rub out Mainardi, 6- Mainardi retreats 2 squares.

CAN THIS BE PEERY: Ancient one, roll 1,2- falls asleep (ineffective this turn, attack-0, defense-1) 3- runs a poll (retreat 3) 4 publishes XENO (enemy adjacent units run three. 5- Espouses nonsense, lynched (remove Peery OTB, 6- Espouses wisdom, lynched (remove Peery Peery OTB but may return as ghost and add defense combat only)

OSUCH: Drinks too much Grog, vomits, all units within two hexes must retreat out of range (2 Hexes)

PINEAPPLE BAUMEISTER: Heaves one pineapple max of 5 squares

9. This game has not been playtested. chortle

10. Initial map placement; . . .

DESPERATE FORCES

WOODY- Walnut tree; CARUSO- Auxilary; WILLIAMS- Bird house; DELGRANDE- Church

Spider- Swider Web; COWBOY AL- Dog House, ALL OTHERS LARGE GREY HOME OF THE DESP MAN

GENERALS FORCES:

FAREWELL, HAIL, LASERIERE, SAMPSON, PETERSON, DITTER- Gen HQ: OSBORNE, FASSIO- Garage;

OSUCH, MAZZER- Anywhere on driveway; PEERY Hemitage; OLSEN- Batcave, BROWN- Sumac tree;

CRUD, BERCH- Trash, ALL OTHERS- Anywhere along fence.

11. MAP AND MOVEMENT RULES

A. DEFENSE DOUBLED across river

B. Rough slows movement down to one hex per turn

C. When coming to a hill you movement must stop, in other words you must be ~~lower~~ higher adjacent to hill at beginning of turn to go up.

D. Tree's double Woody's defense

E. Bobbs quadruple Mazzers and Osuch's defense.

F. Trash and garbage double Crud's and Hanson's defense

G. Swider's web triples Spider's defense.

H. Driveway and short Dickey add one to movement.

I Only one unit allowed in bunker and tool shed. Exception; two allowed if opposite sex.

J. Units in church cannot be attacked. Spend 3 turns in the church and your unit becomes converted and joins enemy.

K. Movement ceases when you enter hex with fence.

L. Any unit/units on mailbox comes under protection of US post office. Add three to defense

M. Dog at doghouse is in one of the adjacent hexes, at the end of turn roll die. If any units are in same hex as dog, units are eaten. Sic 'em babe.

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- N. Birdhouse doubles williams defense.
- O. Bat cave doubles Olsen's defense.
- P. Hermitage doubles Peery's defense
- Q. Mike the cannon can be fired in any of four directions. (N,S,NW,SW). Roll the die to see how many hexes commonball is fired. If any units are hit they are eliminated. Mike the cannon cannot be moved from the hex. He has unlimited ammo.
- R. All buildings (except church and Bobbs) either doubles or triples defense. The walls of buildings inflict no movement penalties.

COMBAT TABLE

ODDS	1-5	1-4	1-3	1-2	1-1	2-1	3-1	4-1	5-1	6-1
ROLLS										
1	AE	AE	AE	AE	AE	AE	AE	A2	D2	D2
2	AE	AE	AE	X	X	X	DE*	DE*	DE*	DE*
3	AE*	AE*	AE*	AE	A2	A2	A2	DE	DE	DE
4	AE	AE	D2	D2	D2	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE
5	AE	EN	EN	EN	EN	EN	EN	EN	D2	DE
6	A2	D2	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE

ODDS greater than 6-1 are treated as 6-1; ODDS worse than 1-5 are treated as 1-5

AE- Attacker eliminated; DE Defender eliminated

X Exchange- Attacker must lose same number of Defense points as defenders basic defense

EN Engaged= the defensive unit has the option to either attack or withdraw on his turn.

A2- attacker back 2; D2 Defender back 2

* Eliminated unit must use power before dying (if Applicable)

Note- When a defending unit is forced to withdraw or is eliminated, attacker has option to move into hex

On the following pages you will find the game board (or shall we say 'bored') abd the pieces.











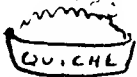









You can look for the Phillies to grab the World Series this year!! Why? why do I know this. First, the hobby clairvoyant, Dick Martin told me so. Second, I'll be in Europe during the playoffs and World Series so it only figures that I'll be out of the country when the Phils win. Third, the press in Phila. has been picking on the '83 Phils unmercifully. They refer to them as the Wheez Kids or they say how the Phils have scheduled 162 old timers games this year. Third, I selected the St. Louis' Cardinals this year in Byrne's baseball pool.









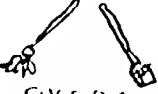

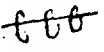

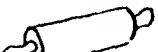







Also don't forget about Mary Con. It's the weekend of June 4-5. Even Mark Fassio is going to make this one. Mark wants to be stabbed by Al Pearson and/or Kathy Byrne at a **tournament**. You can get info about this Fredricksburg, Va con by writng Ed Wrobel 3932 N. Forestdale Ave, Woodbridge, Va. 22193.

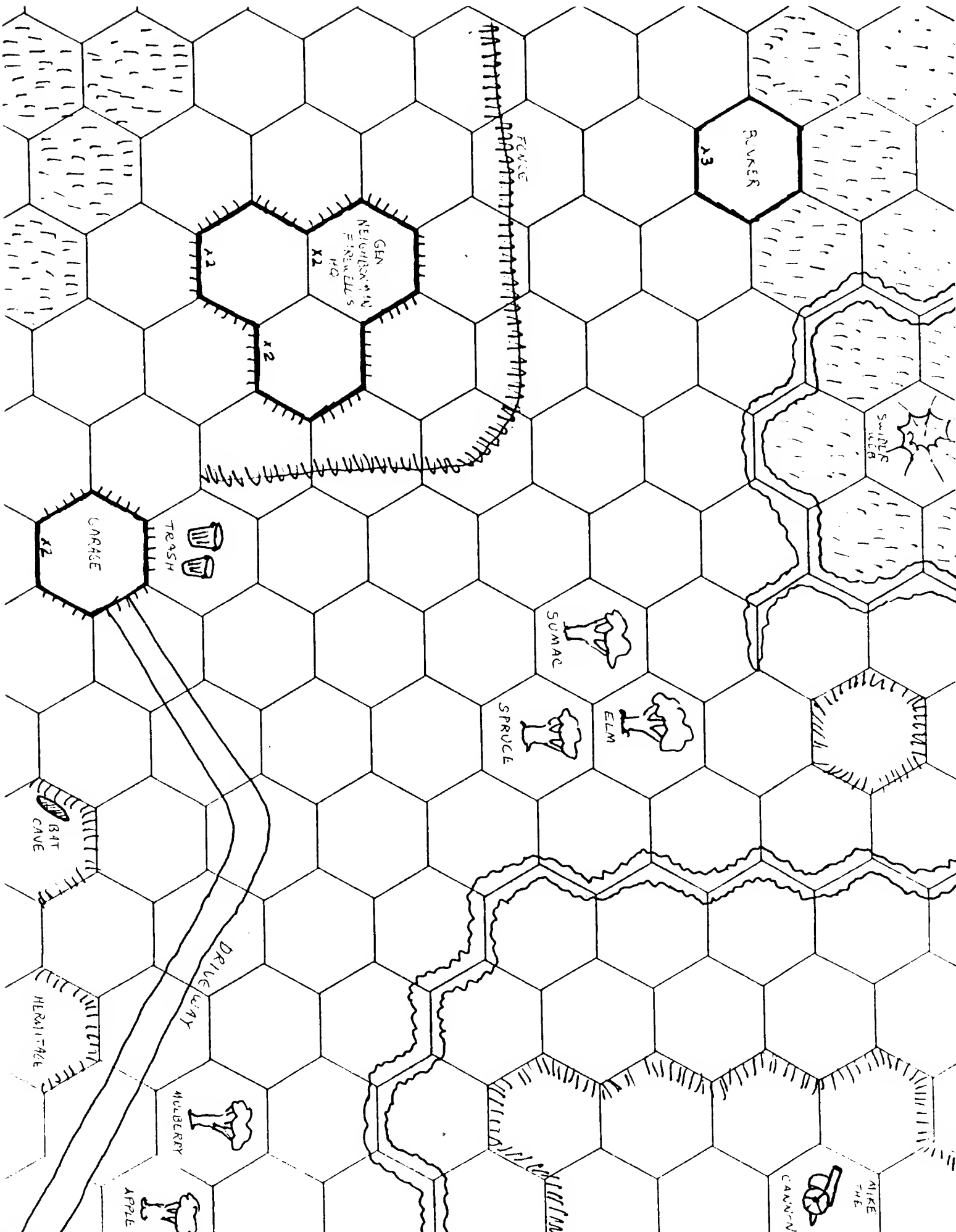
I wrote Michel Leisnard a letter, with an entire paragraph written in French.. He responded fairly quickly too. He was appalled as to what I did to his beautiful language. He had one to say about my French "Mon Dieu" (my God!). Thanks Michel for all your encouragement. It's kind of like Mazzer and I joining a game of Dip and Mazzer cheering me on to a win

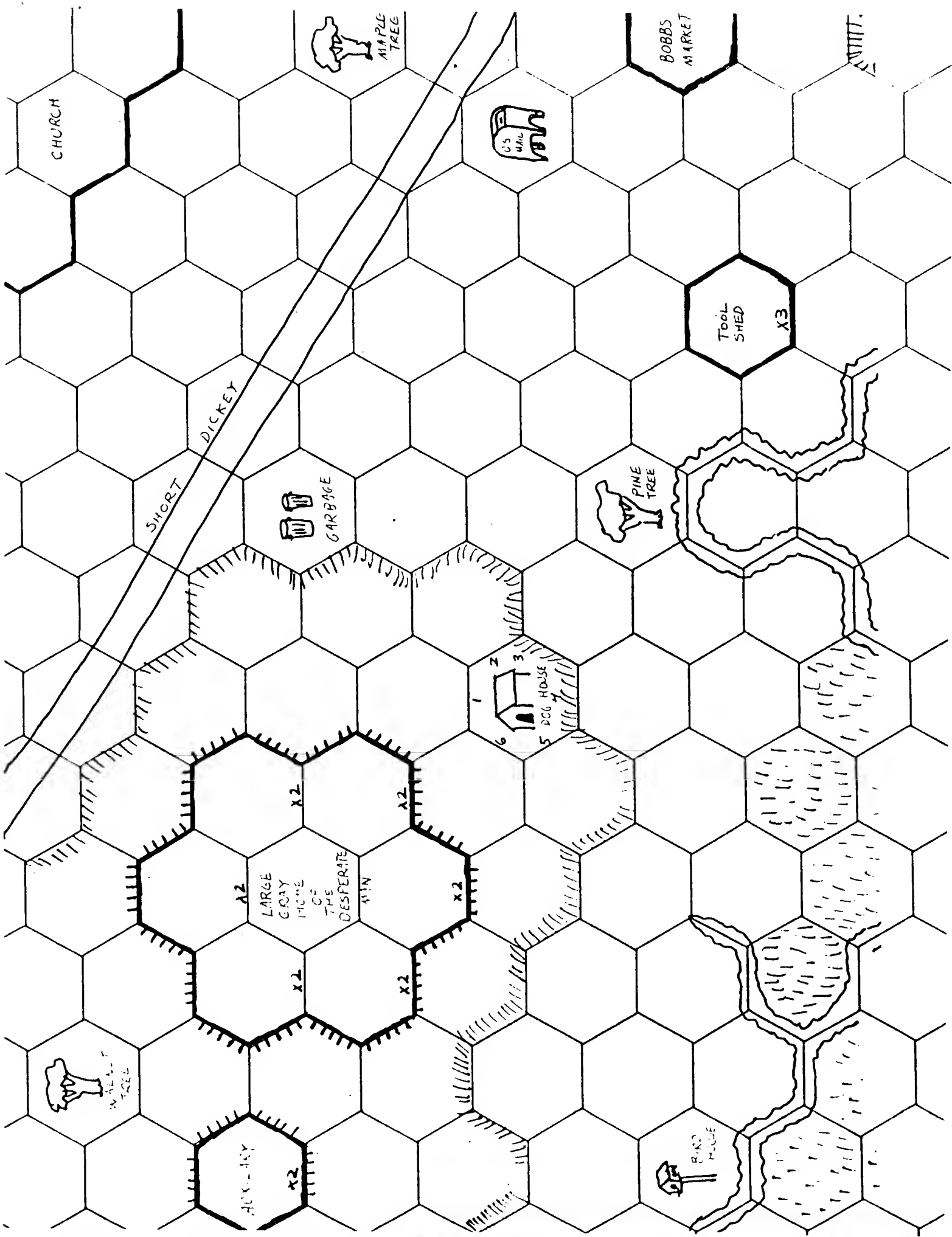
Mike mazzer is going to retire from his job at the end of this year. He figures that now that his daughter Amanda is 2½ she'll be able to get a job and support him. That's no big deal anyway. Mazzer' lists his job as postal dip liar and Kool-aid stand operator.

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5 3 5  HART ATTACK	3 1 4  HUBBIT SLO'SAR	3 2 2  WOODY	5 3 5  SPIDER SWIDER	4 9 9  DESP MAN
4 3 5  GOLDEN ARCHES HANSON	2 2 7  ANCIENT ANDERSON	5 5 5  RUSTY SPOON LUE DI	3 3 6  C. CUNNING	7 1 9  CARUSO
1 1 7  DEL GRANDE	4 5 4  MAGUS LANGLEY	9 5 4  K. BYRNE	4 6 6  '16' LEW	5 5 3  COWBOY AL
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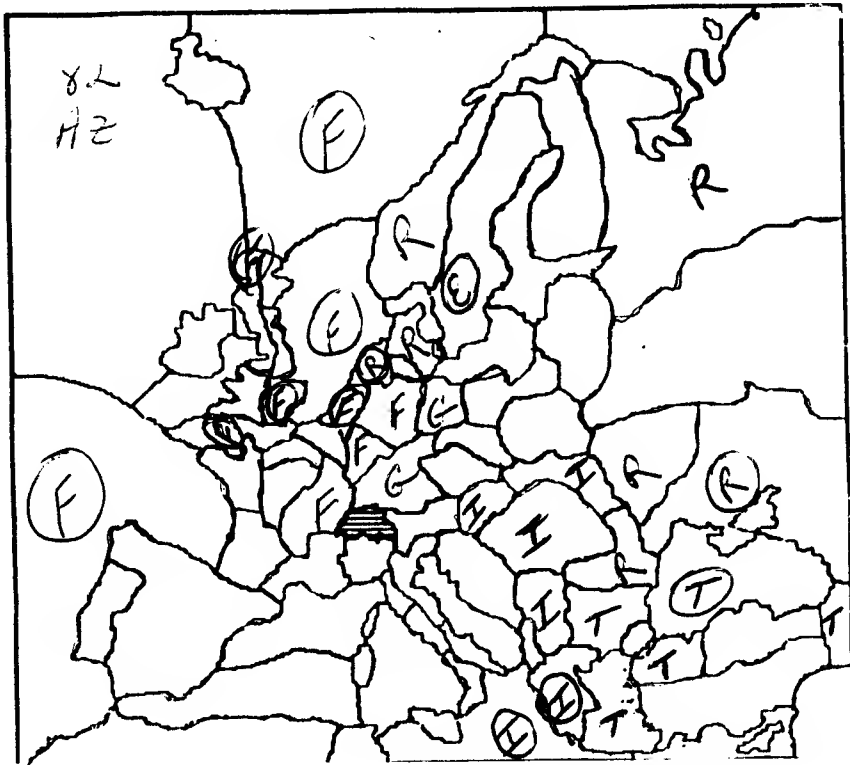
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7 6 5  MARK LASER- LLRE	3 2 2  CRUD	5 5 5  JULIE GLASS	4 4 4  MAINARDI	4 1 4  OSUCH
2 3 6  TUX WASH SHAWAN	4 4 4  MAZZLER	5 3 3  CARTER OF CANADA	5 2 3  CAN THIS BE PELRY?	6 2 5  PINEAPPLE BAUMCISTER





RAVIOLI FALL '05 82 AZ Marc Peters, Ravioli bully; Hoss a has-been?

ENGLAND (HIGHFIELD) F Nth retreats Ska// F Ska- Swe
GERMANY(CHEECHIA) A Mun-Kie, A Sil-Ber
ITALY (PETERS) A Boh-Gal, A Vie S A Boh-Gal, A Tri-Bud, A Ser S A Tri- Bud, F Ion-Gre, F Tyh-Ion
FRANCE (MICHALSKI) F Nat-Nwg, F Nth S A Kie-Den, A Kie-Den, F Hol S A Ruh-Kie, A Ruh-kie,
A Bur-Mun, F Spa(sc)-Mao, F Eng-Lon, F Bel-Eng, F Cly-H (unordered)
F Por C Luscious to Pudgecon II (nsu) F Naf C Caruso to Rochester Aug 12-16 (nsu)
(Gm allows the latter convoy!!)
RUSSIA (PEARSON) A Nwy-H, A Den-Kie, F Hel S A Den-Kie, A Mos-Stp, A Gal S A Rum (def
retreat to War or OTB, A Bud S A Rum, (def- annihilated), ARum S F Sev,
A Ukr S F Sev, F Sev A Rum
TURKEY: (GIVAN) A Bul-Rum, F Con-Aeg, A Arm-Sev, F Bla S A Arm-Sev, A Ank-Con



SUPPLY CHART- fall '05

AUSTRIA - Out
ENGLAND- Edi, SWE 2 build 1
FRANCE Home, Spa, Por, Bel, Hol
Kie, Lon, Lvp 10 EVEN
Germany Mun, Ber 2 EVEN
ITALY Home, Tun, Tri, Ser, BUD
VIE, GRE 9 BUILD 3
RUSSIA Home, Nwy, Den, Rum 7 remove
1, if A Gal ret Otb then even
TURKEY Home, Bul 4 remove 1

The deadline for winter '05 and
spring '06 is Weds May 25
Seasons will be separated on 2
requests or a request from Peters
AND 2 others!
For those of you lower end
of the intelligence scale, in this
case Peters, your orders should be
mailed to Steve Arnawoodian
602 Hemlock Cr. Lansdale, Pa. 19446

PRESS

Tur-Fra: Too bad you are not in 82IE. C.C. thinks . froggies are cute!
WOODY: Michalski should change her opinion mighty fast!
CON-Rom: I hope you don't read the "Lone red Block" Speech to me, too.
TUR-Eng: This may be our last chance. Let's get Tallman.
VENICE-Gm: You're absolutely right. Thank you, thank you, thank you for not wiping me out.
I am truly grateful, in both games we are in you are being so kind to me. Mucho gracias,
bitte sehr, merci beaucoup, and all of that.
GM-Venice: I'm not sure but I believe all that trash puts you in direct violation of
House rule amendment 123 paragraph 9 section 23. This clearly states that sarcasm toward
the GM will not be tolerated! Any way I'll have to check with my mentor Bruce Linsey.
WOP-Board: Michalski doesn't tell me any more jokes and Woody says I'm boring, so to
kill two birds...
"What do you call a rag doll with a stone in its face?"
"A Cotten rocksucker."
I know Woody, now I've got worthless humor.
Woody-Wop; Yes and you're also going to have a worthless position!

Raviola press continued!

MOORE-Flushing: Pudge II is on!! Send John with Woody to Europe and we'll pick up where we left off!

LANSDALE-Moore: Where's that? Lusting after Marc Peters bod?

FRANCE: We are honored in having this deadline on hitler's birthday!

WOODY: Toots, only you would know such a fact. But then that is your biggest holiday of the year.

AUSTRIA-Germany: Alls well that's Endwell!!

REAGAN Youth-RadicLib Kraut: I will now demonstrate the trickle down theory. I stand on your face and pee in my pants...

GM-Reagan Youth: I always thought Pampers were trickle proof. Well I suppose you could always say "let a smile be your umbrella."

BRE-Ven: Ok, I'll take Edi, but if he doesn't get Nwy or Swe, I'll accept his press and submit it myself for him, just so's y'all can continue enjoying this game!!

GM: Toots you're so generous not moving to Edi, just so I could enjoy this game by typing the press submitted by the witty Hightower!!

SHITBURG-World: NROTC forever, Alex forever! Reagan & Boardman forever!!

Michalski-Shitburg: Quarter blowjobs forever??

ROM-Con: On land, by sea-- I guess it just depends on who you are. Two it is, by sea.

AUSTRIA: The last red dot has perished, falling to the green monster. In order to commemorate Austria's passing, the green monster will also take one white dot and one yellow dot, in a feeble, yet significant, form of revenge, since both of these dots were at one time Austrian.

GM-Aus: For some reason I believe you are the favorite to hold the 'Nixon Award' for '84

HIGHFIELD-Pearson: Bye bye, you swine, Michalski is going to win this game and I'm going to help him.

GM- Hightower: I think your statement is a bit premature as I haven't finished taking bribes. As for Michalski winning. It's more possible than Peters winning. In fact Mainardi's Austria has as much a chance to win this one as Peter's Italy has!

PASTA FACIOLE . . . Fall '02 Russian Czar a No Show as Ita & Tur will not win hospitality awards from Austria!

AUSTRIA (SUITOR): F Gre-H, , A Vie S A Bud-Tri, A Rum S Turkish A Con-Sev (NSO)

(defeated- retreat to Gal or OTB), A Bud-Tri (defeated- Retreat to Gal or OTB)

(No, both units may not retreat to Gal, 1 must go OTB!)

ENGLAND (SLOSSAR) A Nwy-Swe, F Ska S A Nwy-Swe, F Bel- Hol, F Nth S F Bel- Hol

FRANCE (DAVIS) A Mun- Kie, A Bur-Ruh, A Gas- Bur, F Eng-Bel, F Mid- Por

GERMANY (SALESKI) A Ber-Kie, F Swe-Den , A Pru- Ber, A Hol S A Ber-Kie (defeated- Annh

ITALY (CUNNING) A Tri- Bud, A Ven- Tri, A Boh- Vie, F Rom- Tyh (NSU) F Ion-Gre, F Nap-H (Unc

RUSSIA (MONTONARO) NMR!! F Stp(sc)-H, F Sev-H, A Ukr-H, A Sil-H

TURKEY (ANGLE) A Ser S Italian A Tri-Bud, A Bul S A Con- Rum, F Bla C A Con-Rum,
A Con- Rum, A Smy- Arm

The Stand-by for Russia is Tom Mainardi 1403 Lawrence Rd. Havertown, Pa. 19083
(please note that after winter '02 no standbys will be called for this game)

SUPPLY CHART for fall '02

Aus- Vie, Gre 2 remove 1 or even if both retreating units go otb

Eng- Lon, Lvp, Edi, Nwy, Hol, Swe 6 build 2

FRA- Par, Bre, Mar, Spa, Por, Mun, Bel 7 build 2

Ger- Kie, Ber, , Den 3 even

Ita- Ven, Rom, Nap, Tun, Tri, Bud 6 build 1

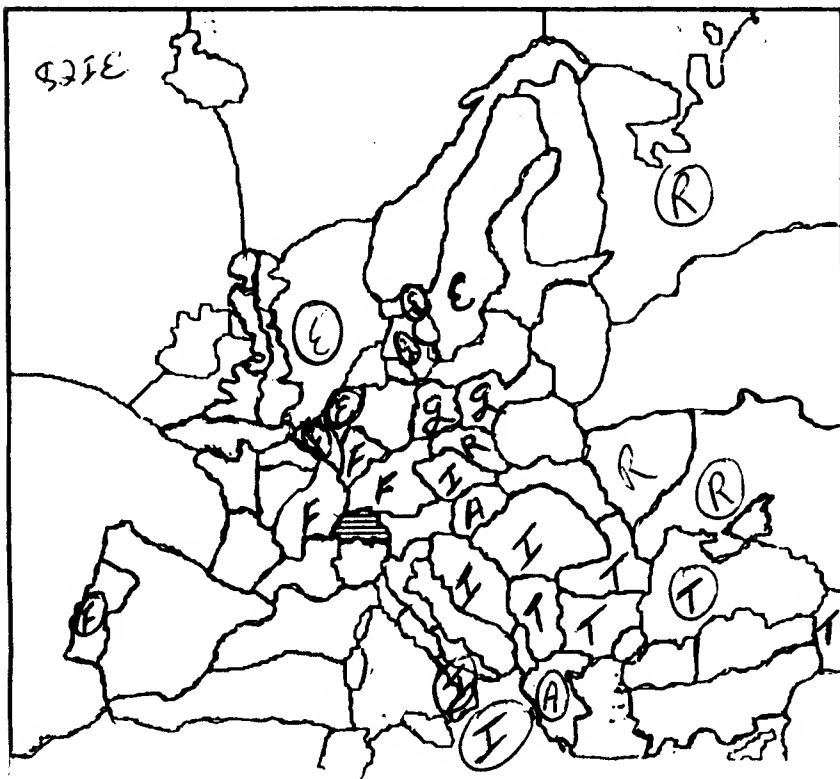
Russia- Stp, Sev, War, Mos 4 even

Tur- Ank, Smy, Con, Bul, Ser, Rum 6 build 1

DEADLINE FOR WINTER '02- SPRING '03
is Tues May 24- NOON

Steve Arnewoodian 602 Hemlock Cr.
Lansdale, Pa. 19446

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ADDRESSES for PAST PLAYERS

AUSTRIA Terry Sutor
331 Wilson Hall, Corvallis, Or
97331

ENGLAND Boob Slossar 14 Buck Hill
Huntington, Ct. 06484

FRANCE Sam Davis 3405 Mayberry
Enid Ok. 73701

GERMANY Larry Saleski 1935 Davis
Wyandotte, Mi. 48192

ITALY THE LOVELY AND EVER
CHARMING Ms. Cathy Cuning
1603 NE 50th St.

Seattle, Wa 98105

RUSSIA Ralph Montonaro

2 Lookout Rd. Greenville, Ri 02828

or

Tom Mainardi 1403 Lawrence Rd.

Havertown, Pa. 19083

TURKEY Steve Angle

843 Hereford Way, Schenectady, Ny.
10009

Proposed is a concession to the
delectable Miss Cuning. I don't
know what she is proposed for but
whatever it is it passes.

PRESS

AUSTRIA-World: I'm back after an extended stay at the O.S.U. Computer Center. For those of you who might be interested, the program I was working on turned out to be over 3100 lines... of Cobol. My foes can expect my renewed interest in this game to save the day yet for the valient Austro-Hungarian empire.

GM-Aus: I'm sure glad I'm not playing one of the countries bordering your expansive empire!

SULTAN-Czar: Hey big fellah, you wanna talk? We really should discuss the future of relations between our nations. If you don't want to write, you can at least call (518) 3703582

AUSTRIA-GM: By the sound of the press in recent years, you will be visiting Seattle to see Cathy; I was wondering if you would make a quick stop down here in Corn Valley; I would like to talk to you about country selection and reading Diplomacy orders.

WOODY-Aus: Corn Valley? I doubt that even Saleski would visit such a place. Next time you send in orders and wish them to work smoothly send a bribe! It's working for E/F/T.

Ms. Cuning however doesn't need to bribe me, she simply seals her letter with a kiss!

By the way if any of you bozo's do that (I mean you Angle, your country gets instant death)

ITALY-Moscow: Well I hit Bud, now what do you want to do next?

ITALY-England: What? No phone calls, no mail, no nothing? Just because you don't have my new phone # is no reason not to call! Woody would have called. Oh, the romance is over! I bet you didn't have much to play with anyways.

WOODY-Cuning: A month without hearing from Slossar?! How lucky you are. And to think all you had to do was move 2 times! I just might try that. What I generally do when Slossar calls is put down the phone watch tv for 1/2 hour and go back to the phone, tell Slossar someone is at the door and I have to go. It works out great!

CATRINA-D'Artagnon; And you too give me the silent treatment. Oh, my heart is breaking.

Afterall the plans we had together. All those secrete meeting places that Voody would never have found out about. Oh such is the life with men. They use you and leave you.

WOODY-Catrina: Hey wait a minute your talking about a 2 bit hayseed from Oklahoma.

When you come to Penna. this June you'll see what I mean!!

CUDDLES-Teddybear: You wouldn't leave me would you?

TEDDYBEAR-Cuddles; Honey, when you and I meet, I'm chaining myself to you and throwing away the key!!

VENICE-World: The lady Catrina sits in her conference room with a worried look on her face. An aide rushes in. "My lady Catrina, word from the front!"

PASTA PRESS CONT!

"Yes, what is the news?" "The moral is low. The men keep saying, 'We don't want to kill Austrians. Nice Austrians, never hurt anyone. Only want their homelands. What are we doing on the land anyways? I want to be in the sea.'" Catrina frowns

"It's too late, i've promised my love, the noble D'Artagnon to continue the fight. We can't turn back now. It may be the end for us, but we will stay true to our purpose."

It seemed so cruel to the young rulers eyes. If the Austrian had only given her some cause for attack, but none was given. Still all is fair in love and war. With these thoughts in her head, Catrina turned to her aide and said, "Nothing can be done. Tell the troops the attack on Austria must be continued."

CATHY-Woody: Ok, I ask for a count on the demerits. Will you do it for me? Please? You cute froggy you.

WOODY: Now you are taking advantage of me because I'm in love with you. For that Sweets- 228 Demerits!

The Demerit list for the Pasta game is as follows:

Ralph Montonaro The man who believes Silence is Golden (Kathy Byrne's opposite) 2 demerits. Terry Suitor who is trying very hard to prove that Mike Mazzer's chapter 2 on playing Austria is accurate, 448 demerits (complains too often)

Larry Saleski gets a whole shitload of demerits not just because he is from Detroit but he also plays Germany better than I do, he loves house rules and has memorized Linsey's, and he is allied with Mike Mazzer in a game of Dip. 1199 demerits!

Steve Angle is the game brat, Pasta Faciole's answer to Larry Neubauer, he could win the Linsey Toady of the year award! His Turkey is the first to ever have 4 armies and 1 fleet, proving Angle is a Turkey. Also he is the first person to ever petition Linsey to double his houserule amendmants. (Even Berch believes Angle should be placed in a padded cell) 1201 Demerits may be low for this character but he's letting me give him my centers in a VOD game.

Sam Davis is the first person to ever get along with Al Giddings. Saying he is a cross between Langley and Michalski is certainly no compliment but is the best we can do.

It is unlikely that he will ever leave the state of Oklahoma, because it is the only place in the world where the totally insane can walk the streets. (this is further proved by the fact that Michalski and Giddings live in Okla. Why they have even seen fit to call Giddings a Doctor. They call Michalski several things too but none can be printed in this zine) Because Sam Davis is a charity case only 1202 demerits are given to him.

BOOB Slossar, the one who drove Don Ditter out of Conn! It seems a lot of people are leaving Conn. these days. It is said that with Slossar in Conn, that state will soon become the OKla of the northeast. Boob is the first person to ask me to take an orphan game which I am ALREADY PLAYING in. This guy is a law school student and is after Berch's job as Linsey's hobby attorney. Total Demerits- 1349!

Cathy Cunning- thinks she's the Diana Ross of Diplomacy. Cathy is one of the 3 people in this hobby that write Eric Ozog! She is also the only person who found herself in a postal Dip game with Ozog and tried allying with him. She was recently deported by Great Britain. GB had not deported anyone since 1950 (except for Communists). Also she believes Europeans are witty and charming! For this Cathy Cunning leads the list in Demerits with 1350!!

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Did any of you notice there was no DIPLMATIC IMMUNITY? I did this to confuse Steve Langley! Also I just forgot to switch after doing to COA page. I'll never forgive Mainardi, inisting on that rediculous name and then quitting the zine to go on his own. Now I'm stuck with a zine called Coat of Arms. I guess that is nothing when you look at Michalski, he has to go through an entire life being called John!

Moving from the ridiculous to the sublime you have reached ...

STRANGE DOINGS

and aren't you glad you did?

Strange Doings is a non-subzine appearing in Woody's rag, Coat of Arms. In the mud, but not of the mud as it were. SD comes from Mike Mazzer, 1338-B Harvard St, Santa Monica, California 90404. If you call me at (213) 828-1085 you can hear my daughter Amanda's fractured version of "I've Been Workin' on the Railroad", she loves to talk on the phone.

The winner of the Imitation Olsen contest will be announced next month, so this is your last chance to get in your entries. Also, Bob Olsen has decided he is noone's toady, nor is he anywhere near as pudgy as, say, Al Pearson or even John Michalski, so he feels the terms "ToadyCon" and "PudgeCon" are not appropriate anymore. Therefore Bob has started a "con-test" to name the Con at Bobs house at Wichita next August. I will collect and publish entries in STRANGE DOINGS, but Bob will be the sole judge of the winner. Bob assures me that his judging will be fair, impartial and entirely arbitrary. And now, first prize... a gourmet dinner for the winner and his or her date at PudgeCon (oops, whatever-con) prepared by yours truly... Fillet du Chat a l'Orange, and old Santa Monica specialty Bob has agreed to donate his cat Olga as the entree. Get those entries in, gang; this prize you want want to miss.

You know what this non-subzine really needs is a good feud. I bet Brux never has to sit staring at an empty half-page wondering what to bore you all with, he has a never ending supply of feud material. I realize there is a giant "love thy neighbor and thy pubber" movement that seems to be afoot lately. Well that's ok for wimpy Bob Olsen types, but real men don't forgive grudges. My problem is that I've never had any grudges against anyone to begin with. Does anyone want to fight? Hmm? Leudi, you've got a new zine started, you want to take me on in a battle of acrimony and character assassination? Of course, Woody doesn't count in this challenge since he doesn't have a character to assassinate, but how about you, RotsBerg? Mopped up the floor with you in Milky Way, eh chump? Peters, yeah you, skulking in the back there with your hair all combed, think yer hot shit since you've set a hobby record of going two game years allied with Olsen and not been tempted to stab him, what are you, Steve Garvey? Michalski? Get a job ya bum ya! Osuch, yer not so gross my mother could out gross yer mothah any day of the week, all yer mutha does is sleep under the porch and scratch her fleas. Giddings? We've got a dentist in Orange County who had three patients die because of the general anaesthetic he gave them, how many have you snuffed lately?

Ah, that felt much better. Now, on to the game.

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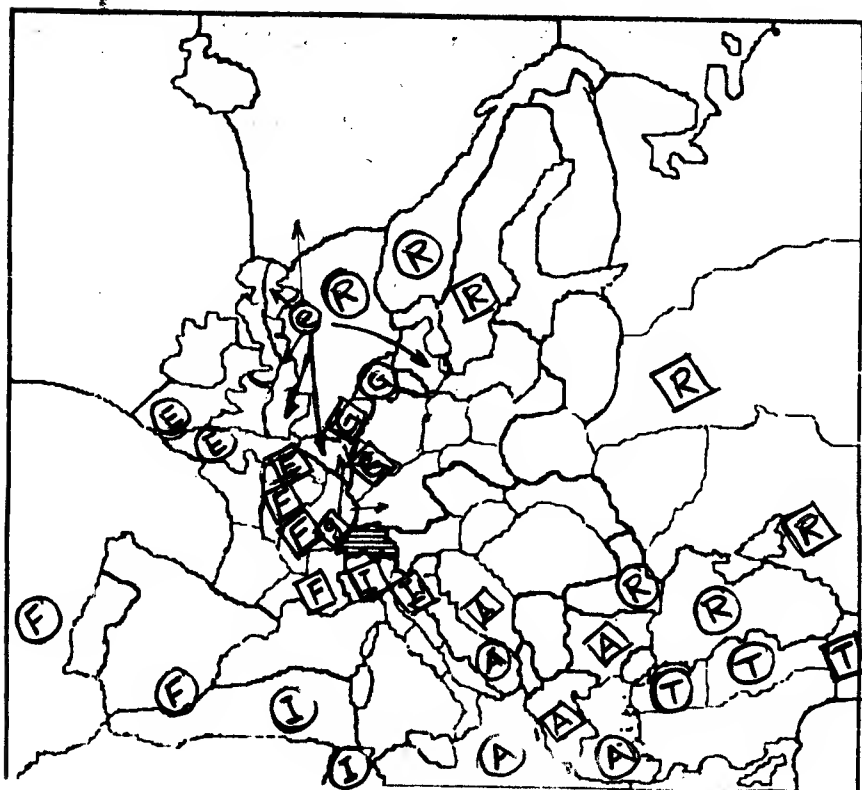
First PudgeCon Invitational

Spring 1903

"A Bloody deed, and desperately dispatch'd"

Shakespeare: Richard III I,iv

1982 IK SPRING '03



- Austria puts Turkish campaign on hold... seeks bigger game.
- Italy makes determined bid to beat Trukey to the exit.
- Russian navy in British waters.

Autumn '02 Fra A Bur r-GAS

Winter '02

Aus: Build F TRI
Eng: Build F LVP
Fra: Build A PAR
Rus: Build F STP (nc)
Tur: Build F Smy

((nice try, Bozo))

Note that the German A Bur and the English F Nth are in ~~retreat~~ retreat.

Spring '03

Aus (Olsen)	F Tri-ADR, A Alb-GRE, <u>A BUL-Con</u> , A Bud-TRI, F Gre-ION (F AEG S)
Eng (Hanson)	F Lvp-IRI, F Nth h (d/r-Nwg, Edi, Yor, Lon, Bel, Den, OTB ((whew!))), A Bel-PIC (F ENG S)
Fra (Rauterberg)	A MAR-Pie, A Gas-BUR (A PAR S), F Por-SPA(SC) (F MAO S)
Ger (Michalski)	<u>F HEL S Rus</u> F Ska-Nth, A Kie-HOL (A RUH S), <u>A Bur-Par</u> (d/r-Bel, Mun, OTB)
Ita (Osuch)	F Ion-TUN, F WES-Spa(sc), A PIE-Mar, A VEN-Pie
Rus (Peters)	<u>A SEV-ARM</u> , <u>F BLA-Con</u> , <u>F RUM-Bla</u> , A Nwy-SWE, F Ska-NTH, F Stp(nc)-NWY, A MOS U
Tur (Woody)	F ANK S F Con, F CON S Rus <u>F Bla-Bul(ec)</u> (NSO), <u>A ARM-Sev</u> , <u>F Smy S F Con NSU</u>

Zork: Fall '03 is due Friday, 20 May 1983

Standbys; (1) Mark Leudi (2) Al Giddings (3) Gary Coughlan
((welcome back, Rhett, we missed you.))

There was one request for a separation of seasons, but I decided to follow the normal GM practice and not separate unless I get at least two requests, which seems reasonable in a 5-week deadline game like this. We have to maintain the torrid pace and high level of interest, you know. Besides, as winner of the Nixon Award, I have a reputation to maintain.

Press:

GM-IK: I challenge you all to tell me ... is it Olsen, or is it Memorex?

Olsen-GM: You realize, of course, that if I win this game, it will absolutely ruin my reputation ((subtle is the way of Mazzerman!)). (Then Mark Berch will have an excuse for not mentioning me if he does a future loser's issue of Dip Digest). Not only do you name a game after me ((IK?)) but you compound your crime by instituting an "Imitation Olsen" contest and if I don't win, I'll look like an utter fool. Mazzerman strikes again, eh, wot? ("Ach", not "eh wot")

Austria: For the rest of you, despite what Mike says PudgeCon II will be the weekend of August 13 ((isn't that what I said?)). By the way, since I am no longer a toady ((to whom?)) and hence cannot call it ToadyCon, and since Pudgecon is the legacy of the insinuations of my enemy Gary Coughlan, I need a new name for my con. How about a con-test (get it, hyork, hyork, hyork) to name my con?? Mike will supply the prizes. I'll be the final judge and arbiter. Questions concerning the fairness of my final and irrevocable decisions will hand~~led~~led through the impartial offices of Bob's Ombudsman Service (Solomaln like wisdom while-U-wait, we reserve the right to refuse service to anyone woh talks to ducks.)

Olsen-Mazzer: I know I told you about the Wichita Wargamers' Club that I go to (("that I go to"? You're in Mensa and you don't know that a preposition is a terrible thing to end a sentence with?)). (Last week I played France and I was vile! ((sonds like '80HY)) I tried to do just what you would do)((How could you possibly stab Olsen?)) Anyway, I got the management there to hire some entertainment. A punk rock group called the False Prophets got things going and I, Robert Cuthbert Olsen ((that's what the "A" stands for, Cuthbert?)), single-handedly introduced slam-dancing to Kansas! /Were too smart to watch the TV/ Because it's filled with violence/ So we like to go out dancing/ And knock ourselves devoid of dense/ I was the last guy on teh floor if you can believe that. Duh King of Kansas Punk-- I coulda been a contender. Today Kansas tomorrow Nebraska! ((Maybe you could introduce it in Santa Monica too?))

Aus-GM: Hey, if I started correcting you when you were wrong it could easily become a full-time job for the rest of my life ((have you anything better to do?)) and I've got more important things to worry about ((~~will~~ you mean will your chair support your weight today?)). So correct yourself or live the rest of your life the way you are. ((Its the flaws in the pyster that makes the pearl. I don't know what it means byt it sounds pithy as all hell.))

Aus-Tur: Just think, Woody ((oh there you are asking the impossible)) when you don't have to worry about this game anymore (I suggest you stop rihgt now) then you can put your energies if any into your zine and lift it up form the marass of mediocrity into which it had~~x~~ sunk ((if COA improves vastly, it might someday achieve that "morass of mediocrity" which you describe)). Speaking of mediocrity (as I was a moment or so ago for those who weren't paying attention) did you here the one about Swider and Mazzer on a raft ...

Olsen-Woody: You're into movies aren't you? I mean you have, at some point in time (I just love Watergate talk!!!), seen a movie and remembered some poignant line from it, correct? Well this is one of my favorites: "There are no midgets in the U.S. Air Force" Cracks me up every time! Can you identify the movie? ((Bet it wasn't Ben Hur!))

Olsen-PudgeCon: Speaking of movies, I hope each and every one of you watched the Wizard of Oz. I was glued to my set (sticky, sticky, sticky) and this year I saw it as an allegory of this game. I am, of course, the Wizard, good-hearted, well-intentioned and bumbling((and a snake-oil salesman and con-artist)) (let's face it, I'm only in this game for the press. Don't my moves and strategy show that?) ((Could've fooled me)) Peters is the good with the Glinda of the North and Woody is the Wicked Witch of the West if anyone is! Olga is Toto ((I would've thought Woody was Toto)), Michalski is the Tin Man (knock on his brain and you get an echo), Osuch is Dorothy ("Surrender Italy"), Rauterberg is the Cowardly Lion (C'mon, I've seen more decisive moves from myself in any game Mazzer cares to mention. C'mon, put'em up, put'em up!) and last and not least (at least in the West) is our own Scarecrow-Munchkin, Scott "Happy" Hanson. And Mazzer is the Horse's (expletive deleted--another Watergatism, I just couldn't resist!), is the horse of a different color, which goes along with the different stories he tells you each time he stabs you.

God (no Lousy, not Mark Berch)-Mazzer: That was just a warning, Mazzer. Stop stabbing Olsen in all your games or California is finished. ((As I type this, Olsen is winning and it is 85 under cloudless skies. Does that tell you something.))

Olsen-Enid: How about getting Dixie Lee to join our merry band? I'm looking for a big increase in female attendance at Wichita this year so let's hop to it! ((The fight for the bed should be fierce!))

Aus*Ita: As you know one of my greatest faults as a player (though there are so many of them... such as ever trusting Mazzer for anything) is that I hate to attack somebody who has not attacked me ((big deal, that leaves out 1% of the hobby)). Therefore your move to Trieste last time was a GREAT help to me in overcoming this wimpy fault. Thanks, Bob!

GM:m Thank Baalluu that's all over with. Let's continue shall we?

Paris-Rome and Berlin: This alliance of the Untermenschen can and shall be severed. Your attack on our possessions is an intolerable breach of international etiquette. We shall smite you down and grind you into the dirt, common worms that you are. You shall know what it is to attack Paul G. Rauterberg and fail. ((On the other hand to attack PGR and succeed is tons of fun! By the way, don't tell me ... the G stands for Cuthbert, right?))

Woody-GM: Get you drunk at PudgeCon II? I thought you pitched in on that diet strawberry soda.

Scotty-GM: You drink? You told me it was the 'shrooms.

Osuch-GM: Hey, you weren't drinking, but that was some good coke you had. ((I thought it was Diet Pepsi))

Michalski-GM: You drink? More likely your strange behavior had something to do with those needle marks on your arm. ((I'm just mainlining diet strawberry soda.))

Rauterberg-GM: Yeah, let's get drunk again.

Olsen-GM: Next time, bring your own diet strawberry soda. ((and my own syringe too))

Gm: Warning! Warning! Plug alert! Plug alert!

G-World: Hey, the "zit faced KC teenagers" are organizing "KC Con" in late May or early June. Write Randy Ellis, 8310 Grandview Lane, ★ Overland Park, KS 66212. But don't spend money you'll need for Pudge-Con II ((Yeah, save it for those Wendy's Burgers .. yum, yum, barf!))

Turkey-Ger: Why dont you do something constructive and attack PEters?!

Woody-Osuch: You gonna NMR four times in a row here like you have in Gerry Austin's game?

Pudgegame-Woody: We wont sub! We wont sub!

France, "Even": Always a bridesmaid, never a bride. ((Was this meant for Woody?))

G-E: Scott, Scott, will you never learn? Paul can talk the spots off a leopard, but it won't help you. Have you been had? Does the Pope shit in the woods? Tsk, Tsk.

Woody-Peters: Mazzer was thinking about haveng a contest on imitating the Peters style of writing. Then he realized that only Mark Berch could be that boring, so he cancelled the contest. ((Not true, I just couldn't abide all that blank space.))

Ank-Par: I can understand my neighbors (Olsen and Peters) attacking me (Mazzer is bribing them) but why the movement on France? ((The one in-spires spirited competition, the other is easy dots.)) ~~Waaa~~

Woody-Olsen: It's good your'e helping Peters this game. He's so pathetic, the boob deserves a break. ((He got a big won having you as a neighbor.)) If you can ally with him until '06 you deserve an award!

Osuch-Peters: OK, I tried to stab Olsen, now what do you want me to do?

G-E: OK, Scott, I reordered all my armies west against RotoRooter. YOU better have done what you said! Or else I'll have to sub to Mid-Wive's Crisis! ((A fate worse than death!))

GM: Let's end with a little culture.

Switzerland: Why did the Woodpecker cross the basketball court? Because the referee was blowing fowls.

A follow on th the comments last time about the People's Republic of Santa Monica: Ruth Yanatta Goldway, our mayor, lost her seat on the city council to a moderate, Jerry Epstein. (In Santa Monica, the mayor is a largely ceremonial office and is picked by the 7-member city council from among their ranks.) Goldway was one of the more radical of the Santa Monica "Supreme Soviet" and was heavily backed by Tom Hayden's Council of Economic Democracy (ie Jane Fonda's movie royalties ... everyone who saw On Golden Pond contributed to our plight!) who had claimed to have never lost an election. This narrows the majority of the radicals on the city council to 4-3 with those 4 up for reelection next time (85). The light at the end of the tunnel...

Dont forget next time to send in your entries for the name the Con Con-test and don8t miss the thrilling end of the Imitation Olsen Contest.

Bye for now

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— Mike

***Gee, I like this new ribbon! Sort of adds life to your typewriter. And, we're back to large print on more or less a permanent basis. The reduction doesn't come out very well and I can't talk to Woody's printer about getting better reduction since I don't have a say in the matter. Also, this way is quicker, and time is becoming increasingly more important. It is quite a shock being a carefree person and all of a sudden having work and college to worry about.

***For the record dept: This is Expletive Deleted, a subxyn that really isn't a subxyn (if it weren't a non-subxyn) (?) written by Tom Swider; 1183 Robinson Hill Road; Endwell, NY 13760. Phone number for ITT toadies is: (607) 729-2830. Call between 3-4 PM or 9-11 PM weekdays if you want to get in touch. Weekends are touch & go; try as you may, but wake me up and off to the Leper Colony you go!

An ED-torial

***Not a very long ED-torial, but an important one. I am glad to see the trend in publishers promoting peace rather than feuding is an evergrowing one. It has never ceased to amaze me how some people get their jollies out of bugging other people to the extent of reaching into their personal lives. Two things to remember before engaging mouth on paper (to prevent foot-in-mouth disease):

- 1) Is it any of your business?
- 2) What does it accomplish?

***By definition, anything which is "feud" material can't pass this litmus test. The only "feuds" which could pass would be ones dealing with the conflicts between GM-player. Those types of discussions/arguments might help weed out undesirable GM/player behaviors, and would improve the quality of gaming in our part of the hobby.

PLUG!

***My good friend Carl Russell is trying to find players for his Gunboat Dip game, to be ran in his subxyn, The Reagan's Youth Newsletter (I know the name ain't too hot, but its light years ahead of Dangling Earbobs) which is housed in The Modern Patriot. As plugged last time, TMP has improved quite a bit, and Bill is beginning to mellow out a bit. I can vouch for Carl as being a responsible postal opponent, and should be able to GM a good game if given a chance. Won't you help out a starving Reaganite? He has 5 signed up, and if you're looking for a Gunboat game, this is it.

***OK. I tried to be Diplomatic about it all, but you still won't listen. God damn it! Sign up for his game or I'll nuke every one of you! What are you guys; a bunch of wimps, like Caruso, or what? Get with the program!

***The game fee is \$3. Press will not be allowed in order to preserve the true nature of Gunboat. If you want in, write Carl at: 21 Morgan Road; Binghamton, NY 13903.

***Got his address from the Wyoming gamestart in Bersaglieri. Tom gets 15,230 demerits for spelling the city "Binghampton". This is a most unforgivable mistake, and usually spelled that way by Kieth Sherwood.

***Should be a rather short issue; ^(HA!) just games & Liesnard's letter which I didn't have enough room for. But, I do have an important announcement on the next page. Please read on, gentle reader....

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TOMMY FOR PRESIDENT!!!



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***When Ronald Reagan can't handle things (as a lot of people are saying), it is time that I step out on a limb, and announce that I am running for the position of the President of the United States. Since Reagan will definitely win the support of the GOP, I will create a new political faction; The Other Great American Party, commonly referred to as a TOGA Party.

***I know; I'm too young & inexperienced, I don't have a lot of supporters as of now, etc. Well, I was talking to Kathy Byrne over the hotline, and she said she'd like to run with me as Vice President of the TOGA Party. With both the ESM ballot, the Endwell ballot, my Toadies and Kathy's toadies, we'll knock 'em dead!

***First, I plan on making a number of appointments when I get into office:

- 1) John Michalski will be put in charge of Foreign Relations
- 2) Eric Ozog will be put in charge of the Environmental Protection Agency
- 3) Carl Russell will be in charge of social services
- 4) Bill Highfield will be sent to El Salvador
- 5) Bruce Linsey will be deported. Anybody have any ideas as to where?
- 6) Bob Olsen, with his experience in Ombudsing, will get a seat on the Supreme Court.
- 7) My first act of office is to nuke California. Bag that state!
- 8) Government aid will go to Avalon Hill to subsidize wooden block production in Diplomacy sets.

***Furthermore, I promise to have lots of cute slogans written on 3 x 5 cards, promise to balance the budget and make sure everybody has a job. Like all the other politicians, I promise to do everything they promise, and MORE!

***What sets me apart from the others? First of all, I'm a nice person, and deserve the office. Secondly, my solutions are simple and clear cut and work. Also, I have an astute awareness of problems which are small at this point, but may grow in importance throughout the years. I will discuss some of these in later issues of ED. Lastly, if you don't like something, just tell me and I'll get to work on it....after I get back from my afternoon nap.

***ATTENTION 3RD PARTY PEOPLE: Last election, you all wasted your vote on Anderson. So, why not "throw your vote away" on me this upcoming election? If you really don't care who's president, it might as well be me!

ELECT TOM SWIDER & KATHY BYRNE!!!

JOIN THE TOGA PARTY!!!

FOR SALE

***Won't you please help subsidize the purchasing of software for two desperate people?

BOB OLSEN: 6818 Winterberry Cr; Wichita KS 67226. P=punched counters; H=rules highlighted w/felt pen: Command at Sea (Metagames), Fortress Europa (AH)p; Source of the Nile (AH); Empires of Mid Ages (SPI)ph; The Next War (SPI); Gettysburg (AH)h; Caesar Alesia (AH)ph; Magic Realm (1st ED)(AH)ph; Battles & Leaders (YAQ); Outreach (SPI)p; Invasion America (SPI)p; NATO (SPI)p; Chancellorsville (AH)ph; Battle for Andromeda (Taurus ripoff group; a true rarity). Will trade a bunch of games for "War between the States". Reasonable offer taken.

TOM SWIDER: Address elsewhere. Games in excellent but used condition: Anzio (AH) Third Reich (AH); Battle for the Ardennes (laminated maps); Russian Campaign; Dragon Quest (SPI); Fast Carriers (ziplock); Wilderness Campaign (ziplock)

Pac-Man G.....

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Spring 1904

Frogs & Wops Perform Chinese Fire Drill

1982 HG

The Cast

AUS (Mark Keller; 9536 Shumway Dr; Orangevale, CA 95662)
ENG (Larry Neubauer; 251 Cheswold Lane; Haverford, PA 19041)
FRA (Jeff Bohner; 509 Twist Run Road; Endwell, NY 13760)
GER (John Diamond; 41 Riverridge Trail; Ormond Beach, FL 32074)
ITA (Greg Stewart; 618 Short Dickey; Greenfield, OH 45123)
RUS (Larry McCloud; 520 Geary; San Francisco, CA 94102)
TUR (Steve Arnawoodian; 602 Hemlock Cr; Lansdale, PA 19446)

The Builds

AUS: Builds a BUD. Has 6 centers.
ENG: Builds a LON, f EDI. Has 7 centers.
FRA: Even. Has 7 centers.
GER: Even. Has 1 center.
ITA: Even. Has 4 centers.
RUS: Retreats f rum-SEV. Removes f HEL, a PRU. Has 5 centers.
TUR: Even (So what else is new?). Has 4 centers.

The Moves

AUS (Mark) a TRI-s-a vie; a VIE-s-a tri; a alb-SER; a rum-UKR; a bud-GAL;
f GRE-s-(t)-f aeg-ion.
ENG (Larry N) a lon-NWY/c f NTH/; a KIE-ber; a nwy-FIN; f HOL-kie; f edi-NWG;
f SWE-bal.
FRA (Jeff) a mun-TYO; a bur-MUN; a tus-PIE/s a MAR/; f mid-NAF; f spa(sc)-LYO
/s f WES/.
GER (John) a DEN-swe.
ITA (Greg) a tyo-VEN; a ven-TUS/s f ROM/; *f pie-mar.
RUS (Larry M) a STP & a BER & f SEV-h; a boh-SIL; f BAL-~~g~~-a ber.
TUR (Steve) a ARM-sev; a bul-CON; f ion-TUN; f aeg-ION/s (a) f gre/.

The Death

ITA: f pie is a box case. Totally hopeless. Bag that fleet!

The Press

ARIES: I should mention that the proposal to skip the year 1904 was utterly
defeated; 1 YES, 2 NO & 4 NVRs.
DENMARK to MOSCOW: You had your chance to ally with me, sucker!
PARIS to WOODY: Let's get rid of Stewart as soon as possible! The sooner Ste-
wart's out, the sooner I stab Neubauer.
PARIS to THRILLSVILLE KID: Who's Jerk of the Month this time? I vote for you.
ARIES: Just because I've got a computer and you don't doesn't mean you have
to get nasty...
ROME to ARIES: Pope Nudo Desperato II, astrologer extraordinaire, predicts
the following for all spiders born in zodiac Aries: 1) You will receive a
phone bill that will be most disconcerting 2) You will choose the Ayatollah
as winner of the Williams LowLife contest 3) You will do poorly on an exam
this week 4) Fungus will begin growing on your back 5) Your fingers will
tire from typing lengthy irrelevant inane la-dee-da press.

Pac Man Deadline is March 30, 1983

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ARIES: Well, I did get a rather high phone bill (I wonder how you knew that?), and I didn't do so hot on an economics test. Other than that, you are totally wrong! The fungus began to grow in my bedroom, and I don't mind typing press one bit. (4)

MARK to PND II: What in the world are you up to? Fighting with France, Germany and Austria all on the same move!?!?!?

ROME to MARK: How to help Stewart in three easy lessons: 1) Give the French player a vasectomy ASAP. 2) Speak only in rhyme from now on. 3) Send a dollar to "Let's put Rome in the Center of the Board" Fund; 618 Short Dickey; Greenfield, OH 45123.

PARIS to LONDON: Thanks for the bribe, Larry. The money will go toward my computer.

ARIES: I wonder if Jeff will spend his quarter all in one place?

ROME to TURKEY: It has become obvious to the Desperate Man that when you wrote and said that you were going to attack England this turn, you actually were telling a lie!!! Now we all know that no one ever tells a lie in Diplomacy. Gasp! Do you hear that oh readers of press? Woody told a lie!! Everyone will attack only you from now on. Even France will break off its attack just to get you. Just for lying.

ROME to GERMANY: I didn't think he would buy it.

ROME to RUSSIA: Kamaradi! Runnski! Is only escape. Is secret plan. Is good idea. Is Pope's.

ROME to ENGLAND: Look at my watch. That's right. Look at my watch swinging back and forth. Back and forth. Your eyelids are getting heavy. You are getting sleepy. You are asleep. You will obey only me. You will hear no one else. When I count to three, you will help Italy and attack France and then you will awake feeling refreshed. And, and overwhelming desire to attack France. One. Two. Three. Snap. You are awake!

ROME to FRANCE: OK, you win. I was wrong when I said Woodley was a better quarterback than Theisman. You can break off the attack now, I give in.

***From The Stewart Book of Lists:

THE SEVEN DANGER SIGNALS OF DIPLOMACY

- 1) Woody thinks that it is a good move.
- 2) You think Kathy Byrne would be a good ally.
- 3) You believe that Uncle Al is the "Novice's Pal".
- 4) You come to understand Mark Leudi.
- 5) You rip off Don Williams' house just to get together this month's stamp money.
- 6) Tom Mainardi makes an offer you can't refuse.
- 7) Spider Swider begins to call you 'fly'.

DON DEL GRANDE OPENS SOUP KITCHEN (first ten customers)

- 1) Steve Langley (Bankrupt due to Magus)
- 2) Eric Kane (Bankrupt at PSATS)
- 3) Scott Hanson (Deutsche Bankruppte)
- 4) Cathy Cuning (Bankrupt of Desp. Man Letters)
- 5) Eric Ozog (Thought soup kitchen was Disco)
- 6) Ron (Ca) Brown (Came in to kill Del Grande)
- 7) Steve Arnawoodian (Bankrupt Brains)
- 8) John Farewell (Came to use bathroom)
- 9) Mike Steagall (Wanted to be seen with Dip Big-Wigs)
- 10) Pat Hart (Brought grits)

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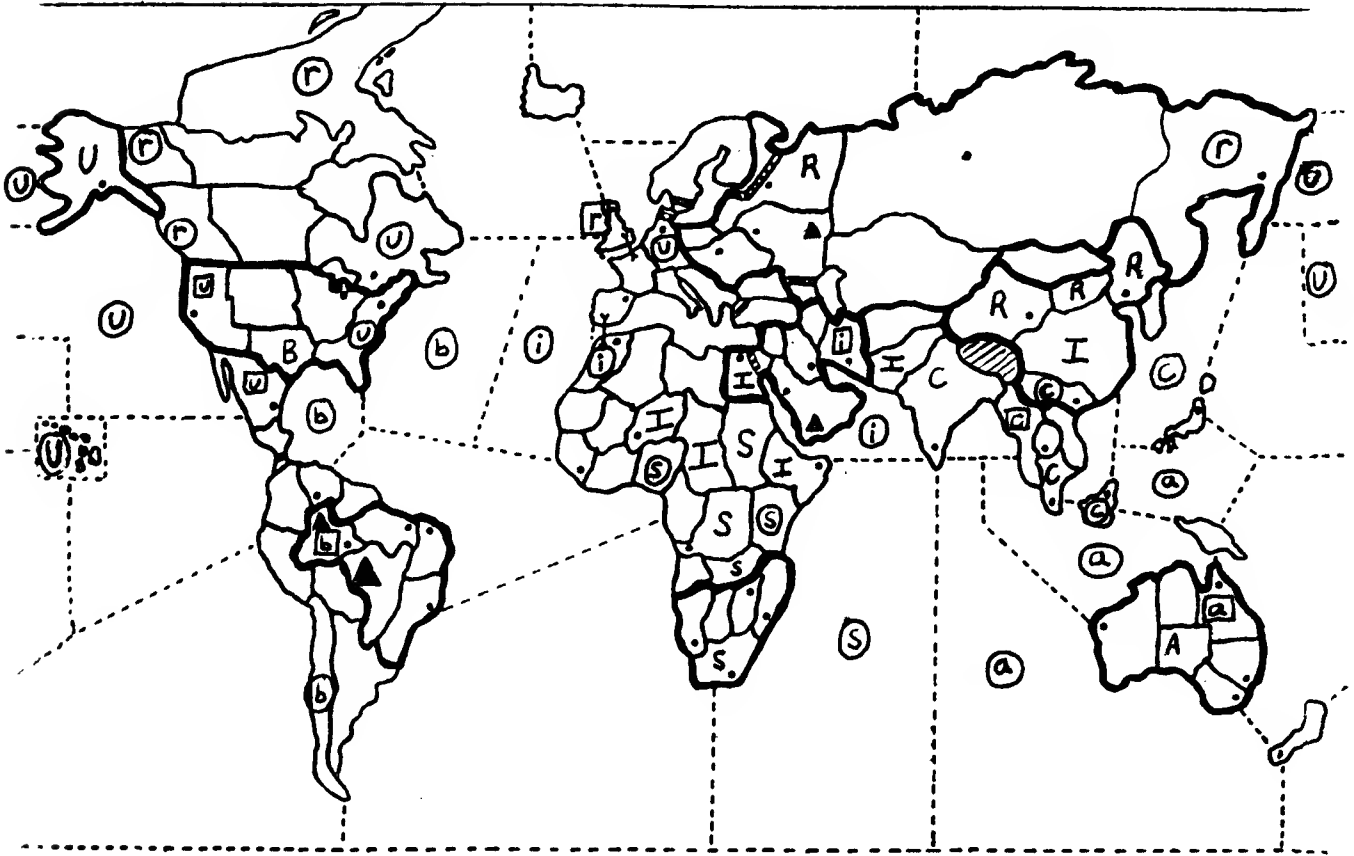
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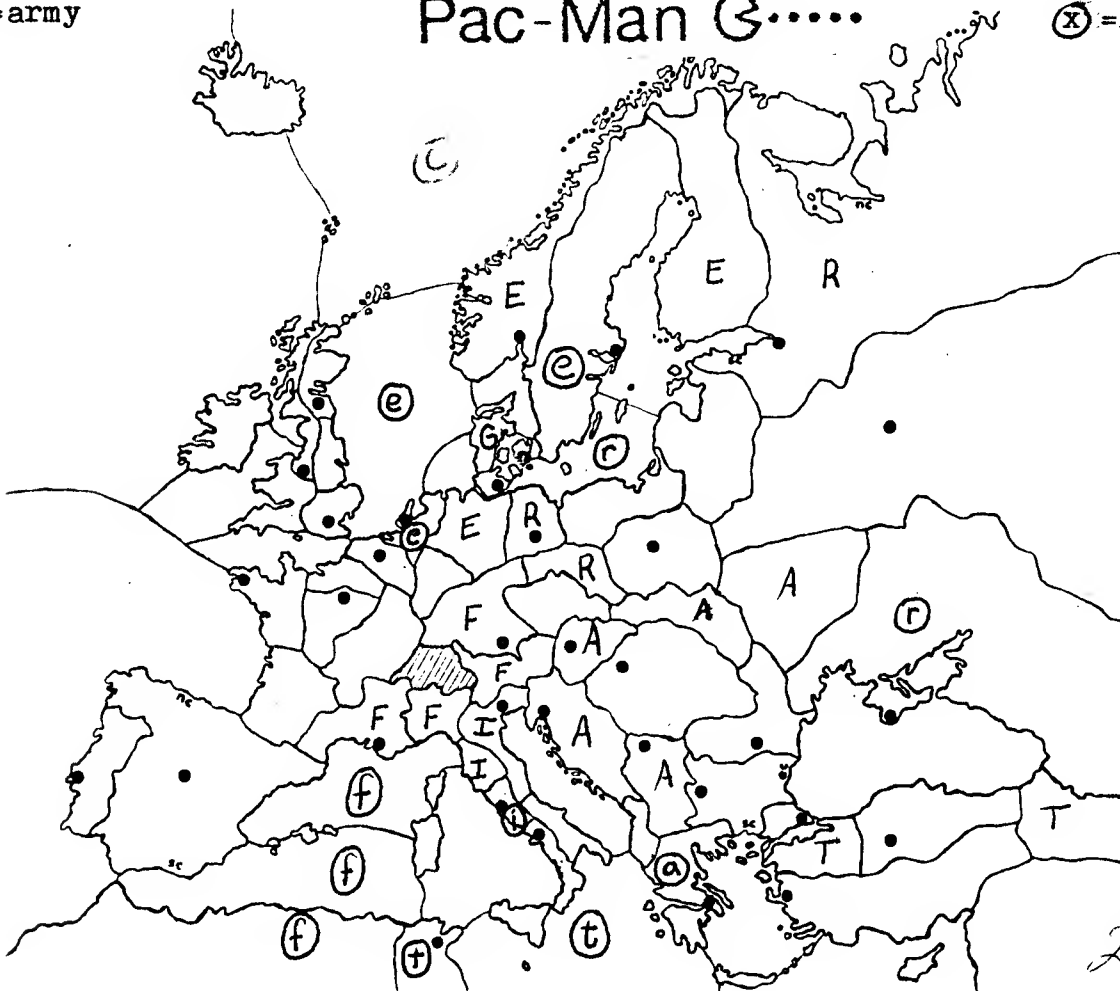
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X=army

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(X) =fleet



Tempest

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FINAL CONFLICT
Fall 2003

Aussies & Yanks Hurt'n For Certain
Finally Got a Miller # !

1983 Agf 16
NN-006

The Cast

AUS: Bill Highfield (2012 East Ridge Road; Rochester, NY 14622)
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CHI: Bob Olsen (6818 Winterberry Cr; Wichita, KS 67226)
ISR: Al Pearson (Box 898; Charles Town, WV 25414)
RUS: Steve Arnawoodian (602 Hemlock Cr; Lansdale, PA 19446)
SAF: Debbie Osborne (7804 Penrod; Detroit, MI 48228)
USA: Larry Neubauer (251 Cheswold Lane; Haverford, PA 19041)

The Moves

AUS (Bill) a ADE-ind/c f EIO/; *a haw-praises the American struggle against the Communist Russians; p haw-QUE; f PHS-jap; f JAS-bor.
BRA (Don) a ven-TEX/c f CAR/; p rio-AMA; f arg-CHL; f mao-NWA; n MAT-h.
CHI (Pudge) a IND-s-(r)-a kaz-sin/s p BUR/; f SOJ-jap; a MLY & f BOR-h.
ISR (Al) f mau-NEA; a mli-NIG; a CHA-zai; a SOM-h/s f PSG/; n SAU-h;
a ira-PAK/s p IRA/; a sin-CHU/s (r) a man/.
RUS (Woody) f BRI-ala/s f YUK/; f nao-TER; f KAM-ber; p sca-ENG; a sib-LEN;
a kaz-SIN/s (c) a ind/; a mon-INN; a MAN-s-(i)-a sin-chu.
SAF (Debbie) a zai-SUD; a ZAM & p WAF-zai; a SAF-h; f con-CAM; f EAG-som
/s f WIO/.
USA (Larry) a ALA-h/s p MEX/; f mpo-HAW/s p CAL, f NEP/; f nwa-ONT; f BER-kam;
f nth-BEN.

The Death

AUS: a haw just dies. How embarrassing! I'd never die that way...

The Ill-gotten Gains

BRA: chl, tex
ISR: NIG, ~~CHU~~
RUS: SIN, ter
SAF: sud, cam
USA: haw, BEN

***I should note that my correction on Angola last month was in error. SAF only has \$1 on account. However, it does apply to USA & alb. USA has \$1 on account. Sorry.

The Reconstruction

CHUnking will regain supply center status in time for Winter 2005 income.

THE GNP

AUS: ade, dar, PER, SYD, VIC, NEX, QUE (5 centers)
Income=\$17 Maintainance=\$15 Has \$2 to spend.
BRA: mat, AMA, FOR, RIO, SAL, VEN, col, gui, arg, tex, ivo, SEN (6 centers)
Income=\$25 Maintainance=\$16 Has \$9 to spend.
CHI: CAN, IND, MLY, JPA, BOR, THA, bur (6 centers)
Income=\$19 Maintainance=\$15 Has \$4 to spend.
ISR: syr, kur, BAG, EGY, IRA, SAU, tur, afg, pak, IBE, SOM, MOR, alg, mau,
mli, cha, NIG, ~~CHU~~ (8 centers)
Income=\$33 Maintainance=\$25 Has \$8 to spend.

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RUS: pol, HUN, LEN, MOS, SIB, KAM, sca, ENG, nor, yuk, bri, mon, MAN, inn, (7)
kor, kaz, SIN (8 centers)
Income=\$33 Maintainance=\$27 Saved \$1 Has \$7 to spend.
SAF: ang, con, WAF, SAF, RHO, MOZ, ZAI, zam, bot, eaf, cam, sug (5 centers)
Income=\$22 Maintainance=\$21 Saved \$1 Has \$2 to spend.
USA: neb, haw, CAL, MEX, MIC, NEW, ALA, nor, cen, alb, BEN, ONT (7 centers)
Income=\$26 Maintainance=\$24 Saved \$1 Has \$3 to spend.

The Builds

AUS: Even. Has \$2
BRA: Build n AMA. Has \$0
CHI: Build f CAN. Gives \$1 to SAF. Has \$0
ISR: Builds a EGY, f MOR. Gives \$2 to RUS. Has \$0
RUS: Builds n MOS. Has \$0
SAF: Builds a ZAI. Has \$0
USA: Build f NEW. Has \$0

The Deadline

Spring 2004 moves are due to me by April 2, 1983. Phone deadline April 1.

The Press

CHINA to AUSTRALIA: Did I hear you say "please"?

ARIES: Actually, Bill's father mentioned that Bill's manner needed improvement. I'm serious. I'll let you know if the military has improved his face to face manners next time I visit. Hopefully, get a chance to nuke Bill at FC; if he's got the guts to play...

NEW REAGANITIC REPUBLIC to CHINA: We'd be delighted to take over your centers. Only we would be able to make your communist, disgusting economy work. You Yellow-bellied commie swine need a good Reaganite to lead you. Our final solutions WILL work! Welcome, peoples of Asia, to the Second Reaganitic Empire. Viva Reagan, Viva USA, and Viva Australia!!

ARIES: Sieg Heil, while we're at it...

SOUTH AFRICA to AUSTRALIA: Oh, no! You here? Oh well, you stay over there and I'll stay over here, okay?

AUSTRALIA to SOUTH AFRICA: Let's be friends, okay?

SOUTH AFRICA to BRAZIL: I'm game if you are. I apologize for not writing - ask everybody; I haven't written since September.

AUSTRALIA to BRAZIL: Well, anyone who can seize the Falklands from those English wimps is our friend. Our Fuhrer, Adolph Hightler, has withdrawn the order to wipe you out. You are welcome in Australia. Alliance, my friend?

WOODY to WORLD: I'd offer a free issue of Voice of Doom to anyone who nukes Neubauer, but then again, no one would nuke him even if they wanted to.

SOUTH AFRICA to RUSSIA: Whar are you doing? Do you know? Are you having a private WW III?

AREIS: Yeah. Ever since Brux met Marc Peters, he hasn't been his cheerful self.

CHINA to ARIES, THE MAN WHO SMELLS LIKE A GOAT: Yeah, right, top variant player. Everybody thinks I invented the "Pudge Don't Budge" variant and Caruso was so infuriated by the results he's doing away with the whole variant player catagory. I still can't get no respect! Hey, even the top regular dip player loses a game once in a while -- I just happen to lose vastly more often than Kathy does! Mainly because of the petty jealousy of scurves like you.

ARIES: At least admit I was correct about you luring Hightler into a false sense of security. He was so awed with your rating as a variant player that

he didn't take a single dot from you this turn. As for me being jealous ⁽⁸⁾ of your playing prowess, I manage to do well, and I don't lie. Just ask around. My reputation speaks for itself.

CHINA to ARIES: Reagan spends "a lot of time" at his job? Hahahaha--like I spend a lot of time diving for oysters! The only thing on vacation more often than Reagan is Pearson's brain! (It was too easy to say Woody). Ronnie will never find solutions on 3 x 5 cards or cutesy slogans.

ARIES: So what if Uncle Ronnie has to take an occational daily nap during his office hours? You can keep laughing, but Reaganomics is working. Please note the lower gas prices and the hobs bill. Even the Wall Stree Journal indicates that a strong recovery is a very strong possibility at this time.

AUSTRALIA to GM: I never hold a grudge AFTER I get even!



NEW CHINA NEWS AGENCY: Out picture this time is of the glamorous President of South Africa, D. Osborne. With her supernormal powers, it is expected that she will soon clear the board of scumbags and their mindless toadies. We predict certain victory for S Africa in the years to come. And wehn you all come asking me for my help, it'll be just too late! Tough!

CHINA to GOATFACE: If this is Expletive Deleted, then why are the expletives not deleted? Is this subzine fradulent and deceitful like Fiat Bellum?

ARIES: You know something? You really get my goat! Baaaaad, eh? Actually, the expletives are deleted, but not very well. My pen writes with invisible ink I got from a jumbo-sized box of Fruit Loops. Also, nothing has been said in my subxyn which I felt needed to be deleted. Now, if you said something nasty like "Ally" or "I like The Modern Patriot", I'd have to strike those words from the record.

REAGANSVILLE to WORLD: The shipyardsof Australia are at full capacity as the new defense budget goes into effect. The 2003 defense budget goes into effect. The 2003 defense budget was well over \$300 billion dollars. Also, the budget was balanced as Social Security was eliminated and welfare was unneccessary due to lack of minorities. Unemployment is non-existant. The affects of this budget should be felt around 2008. Viva Australia!

AUSTRALIA to SOUTH AFRICA: A-hah! A frauline is in chardge. Well, cute little rose petal, would you like to ally? I believe we can be good for each other. Oh yeah, wipe out S.W.A.P.O. and good luck with Apartheid!

DICTION ARIES: "A-part-heid: What Spiders look for. Ex. "I want Apartheid job."

OLSEN to ARIES: Does the number "15" refer to your IQ? Ooh boy. I'm nasty tonight! I just got through writing moves for that wonderful 1982 J game you handed me -- I show no mercy tonight!

ARIES: I said "16", as in the 16th COA subber. "15" is my Great Satan Number which I wear proudly. I'm going to sign up for one of Fastfinger's games, screw it up, and give it to you, just to learn you one. Yes Bob, you are on a roll now (but that's easilly managed for a person of your circumference).

WOODY to NEUBUAER: Let's see how well you do in this game! What, without your cross game pal Bohner in this game, who will tell you what to move? Certain-

ly not me. How about Hoss? Ha ha - he hates Juvenile delinquents more than I do. Forget my Deb coming to your aid; she and I think alike! Olsen is dead. Williams, he hates main-line brats. Hightower even know to treat you as a leper!

SOUTH AFRICA to WORLD: Why is everybody picking on USA?

ADOLPH to LARRY: You wimp! How could you allow Woody to get an advantage on you? I hope you don't attack Hawaii, I wouldn't want to have to fight you, too.

AREIS: Poor Larry. Hey, that's the first time I've ever heard the word "poor" used in context with "Moneybags" Neubauer.....

SOUTH AFRICA to USA: Oh boy, are you in trouble!

SOUTH AFRICA to CHINA: What happened? How did you rate the first nuke?

ARIES: Bob, "Did you hear did you hear that thunder? You better run, you better take cover..." (Men At Work)

AUSTRALIA to ISRAEL: Too bad Toots isn't in this game, I'd give him all my centers just to see you lose, AGAIN!

SOUTH AFRICA to ISRAEL: Sorry, but I'm getting the short end of the supply centers down here! Thanks for the reassurances.

ARIES: Ah, reminds me of the days of "Liar Al" and R5. Don't forget the "Pearson Principle": When your friends begin to hate you, you know you are doing something right!

CHINA to BOARD: I wouldn't ally with Williams if I were you. He'll just promise you a candy bar and then not come through. Never have I seen a newcomer assume his nickname with the amazing speed with which "Oaklyn" Williams has gotten his!

AUSTRALIA: Our glorious Fuhrer today announced the adaption of plan 43-A, the Final Solution. "First, we'll annihilate the yellow Chicons, then the Jews and the blacks of South Africa, followed by the Russian commies, American liberals, and lastly, the Argentinian/Brazilian wetbacks. Australia will rule the world!", he said.

REAGANSVILLE, AUSTRALIA: Democratic House Majority leader, Neil O'Tip, was executed today on the front lawn of the White House. Adolf Hightler gave the order after said jerk tried to escape the guard dogs. In a public statement, our Fuhrer said, "He was a Chicon, and they're first on our list. Besides, he was against our regime. No liberals will be allowed to exist when we're through with THIS planet!!"

HIGHFIELD to GM: Think I insulted enough minorities? NO!? Okay, I'll try harder, my toadymaster.

ARIES: Just leave the Pole alone.

ADOLF HIGHTLER to PLAND: I didn't escape to Brazil, I escaped to Australia! Wait till I wipe out you Polocks!

ARIES: Now you did it, you son-of-Rochester trash! Rochester is so low that even Socrates wouldn't even lower himself in going to work for Ko-duck!

ADOLF HIGHTLER to GREECE: We're going to get you after Poland.

ADOLF to AL: Boy, are you Jews dangerous, or what?! I think Tom made a mistake with this one! Everybody knows you have a good army and navy, but I doubt you could control the entire Middle East. Soon, our Final Solution will reach you!

ARIES: I bet Al's just flabber-gassed. (Oophs. Poor choice of words...)

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BILL to ALL READERS (Plus those with class): Any statements in my press that offend, degrade, humiliate, anger, disgust, regurgitate, infuriate, piss off, or insult anyone are definitely intentional, and should be treated as such. Viva Reagan! Viva USA! Viva US NAVY! Long live the "Upstate New York Clique"!

OLSEN to BOARD: It's a measure of my bitterness and terrible anger at you all that I am considering handing my centers over to Willie Zumwalt Hightower, probably the most despicable of all semi-organic Diplomacy players. Don't forget, you drove me to this terrible extremity. Snarl!

Amidar

Turn 4

Nasty Surprises!

Stellar Conquest

The Cast

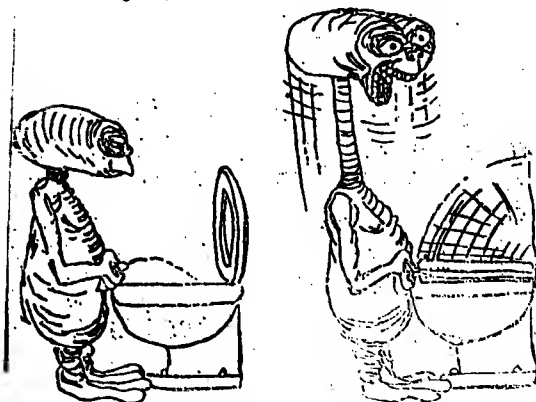
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- #3: Al Pearson (Box 898; Charles Town, WV 25414)
- #4: Mark Larzelere (7607 Fountainebleau Dr #2352; New Carrollton, MD 20784)

The Moves

BOOVIANs (Jeff) TFs in 070, 1205, Scorp, Dubhe & Procy
TRUNG HEGEMONY (Debbie) TFs in 2907, 2505, Rasta & Lalan
ZERT CHUMPDOM (Al) TFs in Canis, 2218, 2614, 2514, 2812, Cephe & Diphd
REMULAK (Mark) TFs in 1217, 1218, 0513, 0814, Polar, Wezen, Arctu & Tauri
Turn 5 is due March 28th or earlier.

Brad Trutt Dept:

HOW E.T. GOT HIS LONG NECK



***MORE FOR SALE: I couldn't finish the list of games I had up for grabs, so I'll take this space to complete my list. In all instances, I'll take first reasonable offer and I'll pay postage: Empire Builder; Blitzkrieg; Down With The King; Midway; Middle Sea; HOAX; Ace of Aces; Bounty Hunter.

***Also, looking for an opponent for a postal game of Alexander or any of the Great Battles of the American Civil War series. Am novice at Alexander. Prefer Yanks for civil war games. Would like 1 week turn around. Honor system or stocks used for die rolls; doesn't matter to me.

***Also, if you like monster wargames and want to try something different, drop a line to John Caruso of 160-02 43rd Ave 2nd Floor; Flushing NY 11358. He has a pretty neat game which he GMS outside of Whitestonia, and needs a player to take over a position. You might get butchered fast, but John plans to run another in the future, and this will give you some important experience.

Issue #13½

Fiat Clark Bars

DIAS

***I thought that Berch gave me enough grief by not Ombudsing the Hansel & Gretel affair back during issue #4, but he's gone too far this time, and I plan on taking drastic measures now!

***A few days ago, I got something in the mail from Dipimaster. I'm not sure why he did so, but he sent me the following note:

Tom,

Sorry, but my deal with Don, which allowed me to win his contest, bars me from telling the truth about not only why Don is a lowlife, but how it all came about

Mark

***He tried to bribe me by giving me a free issue of Diplomacy Digest! Doesn't this man have gall? First, he & DON "Oaklyn" WILLIAMS rig the candybar contest, and create a delay in awarding the prize so as to cause agony and pain to poor Kathy and Woody. Then to find out that Mark was blackmailed into not singing the truth about a "man" whose picture can be found in post offices coast to coast!

***I am sick and tired of all this nonsense! I am asking (no, make that BEGGING) one person to set this matter straight; a man who's the last bastion of truth and honesty and all that good stuff.....GARY COUGHLAN! Gary is fair enough to insure that these villians are dealt with properly.

BRAD TRUTT JOKE DEPT: "I've heard that things are rather tough for Michalski these days. He's so poor that he's using his toilet paper on both sides!"

***TOGA PARTY UPDATE: Due to the increasing problem of shoddy Ombudsing, I will set forth next issue in writing guidelines on how to Ombuds properly.

***I also would like to take a minute in talking about the Freshman Poll et al. I would like to congratulate Steve Langley for his properly deserved showing. MAGUS is tied with COA in my list as best xyn (EE is just a hair behind). Don Williams also should be congratulated for winning best Subxyn; FB has lots of interest, mainly because Don is a fraud and likes to create controversies over candybars.

***There was one thing that did bug me a little; the lack of voting for subxyns. FB got 7 votes; ED got 4 votes; HJ got 8 votes. Look at the main listings now: Magus got 22, No Fixed Address got 26 votes; Damn the Torpedoes got 17. Why don't subxyns get nearly as many votes? I suppose that the publishers deserve the spotlight, but subxyns these days are providing support to the xyns' backbone. I, and other subxyners, sometimes wonder how much our efforts are appreciated. These polls are one way we find out that people are reading what we spend hours typing. The small number of votes subxyns received in this poll don't say much. Please remember us in the Runestone Poll this summer!

Remember TOGA! TOGA!

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From "Scribbly Signature":

Letters!

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Dear Tom,

My egoboo manager is much disappointed. Some months ago, you had written him a letter explaining how boring PERSAGLIERI was becoming for only printing games reports...and he had sent you a long series of witty letters (presumably by me) in which he discussed cinema, food, intellectuals in Europe and the U.S. and a whole bunch of other thrilling matters and subjects. Then what have you done to him? Didn't print his latest piece of anthology on pretext of irrelevancy to your readers! Come on, boy, when have readers been the Supreme Court in this hobby? I tell you, if you let them choose, you'll soon find yourself GMing ten more games and have to turn to Alex LORD for the cotural page. See what I mean? Wanna become a new Brux, boy?

A part ça, knowing whether I have much of a sense of humour (note the "u" after the "o") or not is obviously a most important question which must be taken seriously: if your readers are looking for clownish comments, there's Ronnie Raygun on the TV. Unfortunately not in old films only.

The main reason (there are 22 other ones, but this is a letter, not SEARS & ROEBUCK's catalogue) why I didn't talk much on that tape I sent to Honey Kathy is that English (call it "American" if you want, I have nothing against colonials) is not (not yet) my mother language. I can keep a relatively good accent (what Kathy calls a "sophisticated sound") for one minute or so, but have a sad tendency to shift to Armeno-Pennsylvanian if the harangue becomes too long. Don't cast the stones at poor me, I think my French is much better.

The main secondary reason (among which alcoholism, lewdness and sybaritism may be counted if you insist niggerdly) is that I am a shy person. I was addressing Beloved Kathy, remember, not an obscure Queen of England, Empress of Japan, Steve ARNAWOODIAN or Rod WALKER...I was to be polite, humble, respectful, with a polishing brush on my tongue...Slanders and libels must be avoided on Christmas greetings tapes!

Tout cela bien pose', we could seriously discuss things in general. French humour (note, etc) and Anglo-Saxon humor (idem) are much different from each other. There's a word, in French, "ga-lloiserie", (broad joke is a very approximate translation) to define what makes us laugh. In fact, we're often more sophisticated (hey Kathy!) than that: the MARX Brothers, Jerry LEWIS, L.L.D.D. or Fred DAVIS will let us unruffled and even annoyed, but we have a predilection for cruel irony and play on words. And the support of a language which is so dully stressed (the stress always felle on the last syllable of each word) that we must torture our vocabulary and culture to make it sound funny. Noneene doesen't espek to ue.

Pour parler d'autre chose, I know there's a best seller in America whose title is "REAL MEN DON'T EAT QUICHE". If it is about the kind of "quiche" you prepare in the States, it's OK to me. Just note the title should be "REAL MEN DON'T EAT AMERICAN QUICHE TWICE"... But if you ever come to this wonderful old continent where good food is still a religion, phone me. I'll pay you a true quiche, with a mixture of fried lardons and boiling Lorraine cheese (the feet of God!) which will leave you with a new revised opinion on Jane FONDA and her recent misdeeds.

Then, if you wish, we'll turn to more serious matters: caneton s' l'orange, truffles en cheuseon, profiterolles, all stuffs ARNAWOODIAN is unable to pronounce correctly.

Cinimea now. The UCC (Union des Critiques de Cinems - Union of Cinema Critics) has announced the 5 best films of the year according to our (unhumouristical) standards. They are: Cutter's Way, The French Lieutenant's Woman, Veronika Voss, Victor Victoria and Toute Une Nuit (the letter by Belgian film maker Chantal ACKERMAN). And the 5 best actresses of the year are Isabelle ADJANI (France), Hanna SCHYGULLA (Germany), Aurore CLEMENT (France), Krystina JANDA (Poland) and Melike DEMIRAG (Turkey). Not much left to Hollywood or Lorimer, I'm sorry...

But I must leave you now: a sauce bearnaise doesn't wait!

Camembert and roquefort!

***Exame are a legitimate excuse. This issue should make up for the warehouse issue last time. Generally I don't plan on printing letters; only those of a "fun" sort and nothing controversial. I'm in this hobby for the fun aspect, needless to say.

***Okay. I'll print that last letter and let the COA readers decide for themselves, okay? That should put you in your proper place! As for Alex Lord, I'll let Kane and Highchair argue over her. My heart goes out to the mysterious Cathy Cuning; if she never feels the same way that I feel about her, I will continue to admire her from afar. I guess that Alex does write some rather good poetry. I used to write good poetry for my English classes, but I plan on keeping my poetry horizons limited to Rock music for now.

***Get serious, Liesnard! I'm sick of your cheap shots, insults and attempts of humour. Actually, I am still very interested in Sociology (more so than History), since I was originally going to become a major in Sociology, so things like humour and slang interest me. One thing I did learn from

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My German 101 class is that many "Latin off-shoots" (/k/a Romance Languages) have the accenting problem you mentioned; they also (at least German does) have the verbs in awkward places in a sentence. That has really bad implications for jokes. Let's go to vaudeville for an example. The joke about a guy telling the Doctor that it hurts when he swings his arm, and the Doctor replies, "Well, don't do that". The comedian, when telling the joke, says, "And the Doctor says, "Well, Don't do that!". In German, the verb would come at the end of the sentence. By the time a German comedian finishes the punchline, most of his audience might have forgotten what he said, since their sentences tend to get drawn out and (to me, at least) confusing. I hope to learn German after I get a degree, but even if I don't, I will always have a great respect for people who can communicate in two or more languages. I would never dare make fun of a European who would write to me using the equivalent of 5th grade English because I know exactly how hard languages are to learn. That might also explain (even only if partially) your shyness on the tape. I really hated having to do skits in my German class because I felt like a fool getting up in front of practical strangers and making so many mistakes.

Let's see about this "humour" business (Business is also very serious!). I'm currently reading a hilarious book by one of the Marx brothers called "The Communist Manifesto" (it's for my Sociology course on 20th Century Social Change). Actually, several points were made that I had to agree with, but combined, his whole scheme doesn't work because somebody always has to be in charge. I believe that Capitalism is what made the USA become a success. Countries who try to adapt Capitalism unsuccessfully usually wind up becoming "Communist" (like USSR and PRC). Jerry Lewis now always just raises money by crying on national TV to get sympathy money for "Jerry's Kids". M*A*S*H is actually done tastefully (at times). For humour, I like Saturday Night Live (especially Eddie Murphy, who wrote an interesting poem entitled "Kill My Landlord" and SCTV (Gary would be glad to tell you all about that). On the more basic level, I like M*A*S*H, Faulty Towers and The Fall And Rise of Reginald Perrin.

***Don't talk about food; I don't want to pick up bad eating habits again. There's and interesting "Did You Know". Did you know that you can stereotype a good percentage of NA Xyn Publishers as over 30, overweight and going bald? It's true. You can't do much about age or hair, but weight is something that can be reckoned with. I sight the main cause in being too involved with the hobby. That is, not having many other outside interests. If you don't have many, you probably don't include anything which is physically vigorous. I feel much better about myself after playing raquetball or after lifting weights; I may feel tired, but I'm more mentally alert. I hope that others might figure that one out for themselves. As for Quiche, I've never had any, and I would think that eating boiling anything would hurt your throat. Gimme a Whopper anyday!

***Hollywood doesn't care about the UCC awards because all they care about is money. I'm doing my best to boycott bad TV programs...that's why I don't watch much TV.

***Well, here's your last letter. Readers, let me know if I was right in not printing it or not (I think I already know what the answers are going to be like...).

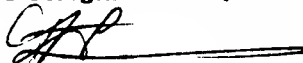
"Dear Cor,

Indeed the Smurfs (in French: "les Schtroumpfs") are quite old. They made their first appearance in LA FLUTE A SIX SCHTROUMPFES (The Flute with six Smurfs), a Belgian comic strip, in the later 50's. Since then, their "father", PEYO, has published about 20 stories of which their are the heroes, and even produced a full-length cartoon about them.

Speaking of films, I liked DAS BOOT, but not THE WORLD ACCORDING TO GARP nor HISTORY OF THE WORLD PART I. For 1982, my selection would be Yilmaz GUNAY's YOL (The Leave)(and it's Yilmaz, not Yimas...), THE FRENCH LIEUTENANT'S WOMAN, and François TRUFFAUT's LA FEMME D'A COTE (The Woman next Door). In fact, Brussels is a movie freak's paradise: it has the highest proportion of cinemas per capita in the world after Grenoble (120 cinemas for 1,000,000 inhabitants, plus about 50 film clubs and 16 TV networks), and we have access to almost the whole world production within the year. One big difference with the U.S. is that our cinemas are not operated by film companies, but by individuals. This allows a much larger choice, I think, and lets a greater chance to "intellectual" or non-commercial films. Another difference is that our TV networks are state-operated (with no commercials!) and do not depend upon polls for their programs. Here too, performing non-commercial films is not rare. By the way, I had the chance to attend a congress in Paris last year, the subject of which being "The Role of Intellectuals in our Societies" (I was there as an observer for one of the embassies for which I work, not as an intellectual...). Many American members (among which Susan SONTAG, Saul BELLOW and Noam CHOMSKY) were really amazed at finding out that programs like "APOSTROPHES" (discussions about modern literature) were watched by 6,000,000 enthusiastic French spectators each week.

With regard to food and eating, if "the best way to defeat an army is through its stomach", then all MacDonald owners must be pinkoes, for sure!

Beef Stroganoff and Quiche Lorraine!


(Scribbly Signature).

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Spring Has Sprung. B.F.D!
(4/19: 7 in. snow in 2 Day. Endwell + Broome
County put into a state of emergency.)
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GET GALACTIC!!!

Expletive Deleted

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***The mirical of USPS screw-ups has made it possible for you to read Expletive Deleted twice in one month! I should warn you, but the Surgeon General has deemed that as being dangerous to your health, next door neighbor and to publishers who like wasting money on subxyns published by mellow Reaganites (Yes, there is at least one such critter). By the way, this is brought to you by: Tom Swider; 1183 Robinson Hill Road; Endwell, NY 13760. Phone (607) 729-2830. No collect calls.

***Since Woody is printing two issues of this, I won't have much this time, except for the game reports. I may even have two of each game, since the time lag may have allowed the games to catch up with the xyn, more or less.

***Carl Russell's Gunboat game finally filled, but would still like one or two standby players in case ~~Woody Gary Kathy Evans~~ somebody NMRs out. Drop Carl a line, and make an unemployed college reject happy.

***Speaking of Gunboat, I thought of a new game, to be played in conjunction with Gunboat. No, its not a bourse. It's called DIPIMIND. It works just like Mastermind (or even "WoodyMind"), except instead of colors being placed in their correct columns, the players try guessing the identities of all 7 players in the game, along with which country they are playing. If Don Williams was running Dipimind along with his Cheshire Cats gunboat game, I'd already have two black pegs and a white one. Maybe Wimpy Caruso might open up a game of it in Whitestonia?

***Also, ED would like to welcome VANGUARD to its fold. Vanguard is the Dune game I began in TSS a number of months ago. I am transferring it to COA so that I can have all my games within one subxyn, and so that the game will have a good home. Sad to say, but TSS is super late, but Mike is contemplating on a solution. Sez he'll have it in the mail, and may either fold or transfer the xyn to somebody else. I hope Mike finds the right answer. Some of you may have read my game review of DUNE in Jihad (a xyn which Glenn Overby used to 'run'; it grew too big and devoured him). For the benefit of those who haven't, I will print it again in ED next time. I will also write up a review for Stellar Conquest, which I'm running under the name AMIDAR. Both are excellent games (which is why I'm GMing them) and I'd like all of you to have some idea of what both games are about. I would assume that without knowing anything about either game, the reports I print each issue make as much sense as Olsen's press as of recent.

***I want to thank Mark (The GE Blender Kid) and Woody for sending me a birthday card. Cathy Cunning also sent me a neat postcard. In the past two or three weeks, I've been rather mixed up. I had some tests, a computer project which wouldn't run, my wisdom teeth pulled, etc. Words alone can't describe how happy these tokens of friendship and appreciation have made me. It's a small reminder to me that there are people who care about me, and that there's some really classy people in this hobby.

***I'm feeling better now; the drugs are wearing off. God, I must have been real dumb not to get into drugs earlier. What have I been missing?

***May have a little campaign discussion, and a review of KalamazooKon. Hang in there!

***Sometime in late July, I would like to start two more Final Conflict games, using the new rules & map which are currently being reviewed. The gamefee will be \$4. Don't send any \$ now; but if interested, drop me a line. I already have 2 signed up for each game! (4 different people, that is.....)

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***I had the pleasure of attending a con in Kalamazoo, hosted by Bill Becker. I never heard much of Bill in the past, but I must say it was fun to meet him, and the rest of the guys who showed up. What follows is a description of the events which occurred, and my impressions of those I met.

***Kalamazoo is quite a ways away from Endwell; Carl Russell and I took a bus up to RIT to hitch a ride with Mike Barno. For those of you who never saw my article in Whitestonia about 2½ years ago, Mike is known for his excellent taste in cars. I'd feel safer riding with "Grand Prix Woody"; a "small" gas leak necessitated having the windows partially open, resulting in a lovely cold. But at least it got me there & back. We drove through Canada, which was very exciting; because of Mike's taste in cars and hairstyling (ala Fat Freddy), it was made possible to get inspected by boarder guards for the funny stuff. That was the highlight of the trip itself; scratching the ears of the labrador retriever who was sniffing the car out. Southern Canada makes Endwell look interesting. Nothing but flatlands. For 9 hours!

***We arrived at Bill's house at about 9:00 pm on Friday. Bill is a cross between Woody and Mark Berch. His friendliness was only exceeded by the smile on his face. That evening, the four of us played several hands of Family Business and Acquire (Family Business is a card game like Nuclear War, except each player is a mob, and you have to try knocking off all of your opponent's mobsters).

***Next day, the Mad City Mob and the Russnak Gang showed up:

Eric Ozog: One of the first things Eric said was that he had saw the errors of his ways, and was now "Eric the Whitehearted". Yeah, uh hu sure! One thing I discovered about Eric is that he must have turned into a real Don Juan since Cathy Cunning sent in her date request form to Eric. During Sunday's breakfast, the waitress could not be away from Eric for more than a minute: "Would you like some syrup?" "How 'bout some homefries?". Eric must have broken several hearts from Chicago to Kalamazoo. Gary Coughlan mentioned that he's the type you'd see pictured on the front cover of "Teen Beat" magazine, a zine for teenage heart-throbs (like Dave Cassidy and Chris Atkins).

Russ Russnak: The one thing I remembered prior to the trip was how Osuch said that he couldn't stand this guy's guts. Well, true that Russ is not known for his manners, but he was awfully funny; sort of like a John Belluci. Everone there also warned me of his stabhappy nature; I'm still surprised that he got a two-way draw with Ozog at the Mall game!

Dale Bakken: It was good to meet my "ally" in Trentino. He told me a little about Mad City: "Mad City is the biggest partying city in the world". He even thought I was originally from Mad City when I showed up in a "University of Wisconsin" T-shirt; it must have gotten me a few brownie points here & there. I did find out that Dale is a very dependable ally; that's why I stabbed him...

Jim Wall: Who? Oh, he's the founding father of the "Puppy Poison Pen" club. I didn't get in any games with Jim (except for Family Business), so I can't say much for him as far as personalities/playing ability/etc go, but he seemed to be a very mediocre person. Probably a Bob Olsen toady.

Mark Freuh: This is "Puppy Poison Pen". I can't remember how he got the nickname "puppy", but "poison pen" is sort of obvious. Despite the situation in Great White North (a game Eric Kane is going to win in

Irksome. Nyah nyah, Mark!). We both annoyed everybody to no end with out "Whiners" routine. The Whiners (Doug & Wendy) are a couple on Saturday Night live who whine about everything ("Oohhhh, what are we going to dooo?") I believe his stabhappy nature might have eventually altered the outcome of the Mall game we both played in. All in all, I'm glad I got to meet Mark.

Marc Peters: Yes, he looks like Robert Redford. Yes, he's son of Calhmer. I'm sort of glad Marc & I weren't neighbors in the Mall game; he's dangerous! Any Germany who gets three builds deserves to die! I do admit that Marc plays a mean game of Dip. He also has a good sense of humor (By the way Marc, when is Kathy expecting??). (Not too bright though: he can't spell "Mark" correctly!)

Paul Rauterberg: I have only heard vague things about Paul, but it was evident that he's a top-notch player. Mark Leudi was surprised to find out that Paul actually survived a game at the con. Next time, I'll have to make sure I remedy this problem.

***I keep on mentioning the "Mall game". Yes, we actually played Dip in a Mall. It was a crazy idea, but the Kalamazoo Wargaming group held a game festival, and had Dip, Role Playing and miniatures, including Civil War and Star Fleet Battles. The first board of Dip ended in a two way draw between Ozog and Russnak. The game I was in ended in a five-way draw. I know, it is really sad to see the game end that way, but if we were to play the game out to a meaningful end, it would have taken about 5 more hours. It seems that all the games I get into get messed up.

***I knew I was in for it when I drew Turkey. I HATE TURKEY; it's boring! Whenever I get Turkey, its fair to warn you that I try my best to do the wierdest things. My good friend Bill Becker was Austria, and ordered "A Tri-Alb", and with Italy in the Tyrhennian Sea, I was able to get Greece and Bulgaria in the first year; I was going to take Sev with Armenia, but I didn't want to be too obvious. But Son of Calhammer didn't let something like that get in his way...three builds! It looked as if France (Paul Rauterberg) and Marc's Germany were going to overrun the board. So, Bill and I allied, and cleaned up the east, including a little ploy where I dislodged his army in Rumania so it could retreat deep into Russian territory (Sorry again, Dale). I didn't have enough jump on France to break through the Western Med, so I had to fall back. At that time, things were so thouroughly mixed up that it would take a long time for E/F/G to push Bill & I back, so we left it at a 5-way draw. If we had continued, I'm sure Puppy Poison Pen's England would have come through for me at a later time, helping me to at least a 2-way draw. So, if you don't want a long drawn out game at your con, don't let me play Turkey!

***Afterwards, we played lots of games at Bill's house, including more Family Business (and to think I travelled that far to spend most of my time playing a silly card game!), gunboat Final Conflict, Acquire, Gunboat Dip, Reg Dip. Mark Freuh, Jim Wall and myself had fun with Bill & Carl playing a rigged game of Clue; about 5 minutes after the three of us announced the solution simultaneously, Bill finally caught on to our act. It was funny; whenever somebody tried to approach the conservatory, one of us would call the guy away from the conservatory so he couldn't find out anything about it. The only question I have is : "What did Mrs. White do in the conservatory with a candlestick?"

***I hope that I can show up again in October for KazooKon III. Special thanks to Mrs Becker for putting up with Bill; the rest of us presented no problem to her at all. Bill is a different story...

***Is it true that Pudge is too chicken to show up at Origins? Maybe I'll have to figure out a way to Pudgecon? Mark Leudi said he ate Olga, so that takes away my main reason for going there. Oh well...

Pac-Man G.....

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Fall 1904

Where's The Consummate Genius When You Need Him?

1982 HG

The Cast

AUS: Mark Keller (9536 Shumway Dr; Orangevale, CA 95662)
ENG: Larry Neubauer (251 Cheswold Lane; Haverford, PA 19041)
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GER: John Diamond (41 Riverridge Trail; Ormond Beach, FL 32074)
ITA: Greg Stewart (618 Short Dickey; Greenfield, OH 45123)
RUS: Larry McCloud (520 Geary; San Francisco, CA 94102)
TUR: Steve Arnawoodian (602 Hemlock Cr; Lansdale, PA 19446)

The Moves

AUS (Mark) a TRI-s-(f)a ven(nsu); a VIE-s-a tri; a ser-RUM; f GRE-s-(t)
f tun in spirit; a gal-WAR/s a UKR/.
ENG (Larry N) a nwy-STP/s a FIN/; a kie-BER/s (f) a mun/; f nwy-NTH;
f nth-SKA; f HOL-kie; f SWE-bal.
FRA (Jeff) a tyo-VEN/s a PIE/; a MUN-s-(e) a kie-ber; a MAR-s-a pie;
f NAP-tun; f lyo-TYS/s f WES/.
GER (John) a DEN-swe.
ITA (Greg) *a ven-pie; a tus-ROM; f rom-NAP.
RUS (Larry Mc) a stp-MOS; f BAL-kie/s *a ber/; a SIL-war; f SEV-h.
TUR (Woody) a ARM-sev; a con-BUL; f TUN-s-(i) f rom-tys(nso);
f ION-s-f tun.

The Dots

AUS: Aus, Ser, Gre, Rum, WAR	(7) Build 1
ENG: Eng, Nwy, Hol, Kie, Swe, BER, STP	(9) Build 2
FRA: Fra, Spa, Por, Bel, Mun, VEN	(8) Build 1
GER: Den	(1) Even
ITA: <u>ven</u> , Rom, Nap, <u>tun</u>	(2) Remove 1
RUS: <u>stp</u> , <u>war</u> , <u>ber</u> , Mos, Sev	(2) Remove 3*
TUR: <u>Tur</u> , <u>Bul</u> , <u>TUN</u>	(5) Build 1

*Remove 2 if a ber r OTB

The Dislodgement

RUS a ber can retreat to Prussia or off the board

The Press:

SCORPIO to ARIES: Happy Birthday.

ARIES: Thanx. I need all the cheering I can get. Down in the dumps of THRILLSVILLE, it seems...

NEUBAUER to BOHNER: I wish you were in all my Dip games; no one else is foolish enough to ally with me!

TURKEY to FRANCE: Turn on England now or I don't help you against Italy!

PARIS to WOODY: So we can never be allies? Well, I guess it's for the better; that way, I'll have someone to kill off after Stuart is gone.

WOODY to BOHNER: Attack Neubauer in this game or I attack you in the Utah game!

ARIES: Jeff, might I suggest that you join the "Woody 'Good Friends' Club". It's quite in fashion in EM, so why not spread the trend? Actually, Woody's style of play is similar to Mike Mills': crossgame at all costs!

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MARK to ROME: Can't help you. What you need is a rich rhyming doctor. Now, if you need someone to protect your centers--I'll be gald to ~~take them~~ help.

PNDII to MARK: Boy did I surprise Aus, Ger and Fra when I attacked them last turn.

ROME to ARIES: Re last month's future predictions: you will choose the Ayatollah winner of the williams lowlife contest or the Ayatollah will have a temper tantrum and send an Iranian hit team after you.

ARIES: Listen buddy! I took mercy on you (only shrunk your dickey) because I saw you for the pitifully lost cause that you really are. Now, you're talking wise to me. Tread carefully, Desperate One!

STEWART to WOODY: Let's get rid of Paris as soon as possible! The sooner Paris's out, the sooner I stab Neubauer.

ROME to PARIS: The Desperate Pope has written a book entitled: My Favorite Computer Recipes. Inside it is learned that the computer itself is the main course for the meals.

PARIS to STEWART: I think I'll ignore you this month.

ROME to WORLD: When the Desperate Pope goes the way of the Big Despair, then there won't be any press around to pick on you anymore.

ARIES: Hmm. I'm just like Dick Martin as far as GMing goes (but without the L-O-N-G delays he used to antagonize the players with), so I'll adapt Crud's policy of allowing press "from the grave".

PARIS to MARK: If I hear from you, you will hear from me.

ROME to MARS: OK, you can invade now.

ARIES: Foolish mortal, as the god Aries, I am attuned with Mars in a galactic sense. If I wanted this measly world, I could take it at any moment, and certainly without your help. Begone!

ROME to HALLEY'S COMET: The Pope is feeling fine. Really. There's nothing wrong.

ROME to EPSILON ERIDANI: Really.

ROME to ROME: Get away! I got a knife and I'll cut his throat.

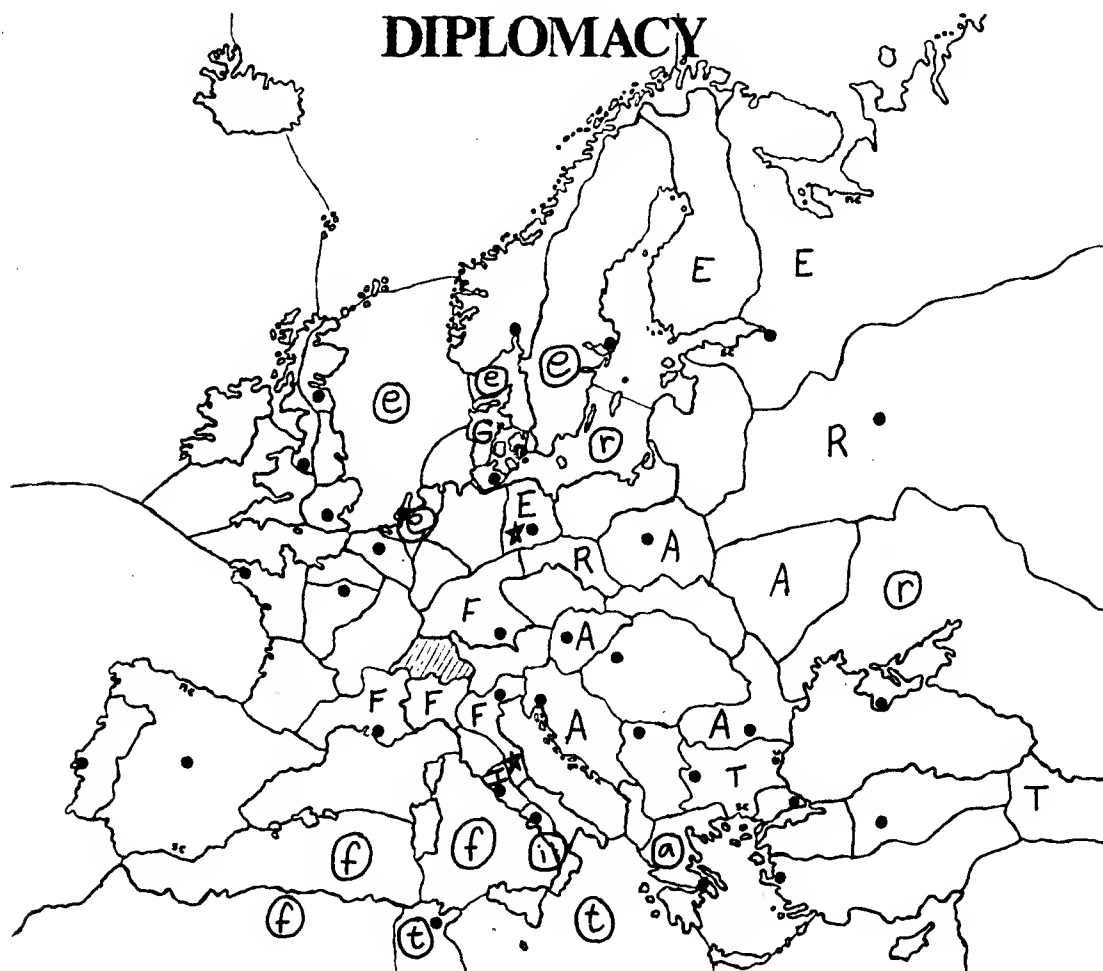
ROME: Hahahahahahahagurgle.....

PAC-MAN

***Seems I forgot to set a due date. So far, I've got builds & removals from five of the players. For the other two, the deadline for Winter builds and removals is May 1st, 1983. Needless to say, the seasons are seperated. Sorry 'bout that. Also, I forgot to list the retreat possibilities for the Italian a Ven. It can retreat to Apulia, Tuscany or OTB. Italy has no removals if a ven retreats off the board.

***Yes, ED didn't get to Woody on time last month, so you'll probably get the honor of seeing two ED's in one issue. Y'all can't get rid of me that easilly! I may be able to squeeze in the Vanguard battle results if I have the time; otherwise, it'll appear next issue, along with the Dune game review I was talking about. Try the game if you get a chance; its great!

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FINAL CONFLICT
Spring 2004

Lights, Camera, Action!

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The Cast

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ISR: Al Pearson (Box 898; Charles Town, WV 25414)
RUS: Steve Arnawoodian (602 Hemlock Circle; Lansdale, PA 19446)
SAF: Debbie Osborne (7804 Penrod; Detroit, MI 48228)
USA: Larry Neubauer (251 Cheswold Lane; Haverford, PA 19041)

The Moves

AUS (Bill) a ade-BUR/c f JAS, f EIO/; f phs-BOR/s p QUE/.
BRA (Don) p ama-VEN; f car-MEX(EC)/s a TEX/; f nwa-NEW; f chl-PRU; n MAT-h;
n AMA-h.
CHI (Bob) *a ind-h/s *p bur/; a mly-VIE; f can-CHU/s f SOJ/; *f bot-shouts
revolutionary slogans (but are they on 3 x 5 cards?).
ISR (Al) a NIG-ivo; a cha-LIB; a som-IND/c f PSG, s a PAK, p IRA/;
*a chu-sin; a egy-SUD; f nea-FRA; f mor-NEA; n SAU-h.
RUS (Steve) a len-SCA/s p ENG/; a MAN-h; a SIN-s- (i) a pak-ind (nso);
a INN-s- (i) a chu (otm); f bri-CAL; f yuk-ARC; f ter-NAO;
f kam-NWP; n MOS-h.
SAF (Debbie) a sud-SOM/s f EAF/; a ZAM-eaf; p waf-CAM; a saf-BOT; a zai-CHA;
f CAM-ivo; f WIO-s-f eaf-som (nso).
USA (Larry) a ALA-h/s f BER/; *p mex-u; f new-CAR/s *p cal/; f haw-MPO;
f NEP-mex(wc); f ont-NWA; f BEN-h.

The Death

CHI a ind annihilated
CHI p bur may retreat to Mly, Vie, Tha, Can, Otb
CHI f bor may retreat to Chs, Otb
ISR a chu annihilated
USA p mex may retreat to Haw, Cen, Mic, Neb, Otb
USA p cal may retreat to Haw, Cen, Mic, Neb, Ala, Alb, Nor, Otb

The Ill-gotten Gains

AUS: Bur BRA: Pru CHI: Vie ISR: Fra, Sud, Lib SAF: Cha

The Deadline

Fall 2004 moves are due to me by May 1st, 1983. Phone deadline the day before. This is May Day, in honor of Soviet Premier Arnawoodianski. Also, I'd like players to double check my adjudication this time, since I did this the day after having my wisdom teeth pulled, and the medication I was taking may have "gone to my head" a little. I believe I did this correctly, though.

The Press

BRAZIL to USA: "The Eyes of Texas are upon me"?

BRAZIL to ISRAEL: Thanks for the offer of Senegal and Ivory Coast...I will hold on to them for as long as you'll let me. In exchange, what can I offer you....hmm? How about criminals? You want German war criminals? We've got oodles of them here. Where should I send them?

BRAZIL to USA: One final warning, then, "Boom! Boom! Hey! Out go the lights!"

BRAZIL to CHINA: Am willing to ally; just give me the co-ordinates (and enough cash) and "tacemaker" will make your wildest wishes come true!

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BRAZIL to SOUTH AFRICA: "Why won't you write me, I'm out in the jungle, I'm hungry to hear you...why won't you write?" (Old Simon & Garfunkel song)

ARIES: As Mykey Barno would say, "All my words come back to me in shades of mediocrity" (also from an old Simon & Garfunkel song)

SOUTH AFRICA to BRAZIL: More nukes huh? Which one has my name on it?

SOUTH AFRICA to ISRAEL: I only want what you promised me.

CHINA to SOUTH AFRICA: Call me a softie, call me a sentimentalist, call me a male chauvinist pig, but I just couldn't resist the thought of you kicking Pearson's tail. Go to it!!!

BRAZIL to GM: Duck 'em! Why? Wry not? I love plagiarism....long live the rewritten word!

ARIES: Gee, it was at first Don "Oaklyn" Williams. Now it looks as if it will also be Don "Masters" Williams. I know! We can call you Master Williams. That has a nice ring to it (ring, as in Ringum Bellum).

BRAZIL to TEXAS: To hell with "Remember the Alamo!" How about, "Don't forget 'Tacomaker'!"

AMAZON to WORLD: The Governments of Brazil and Israel are proud to announce their accordance in the area of nuclear blackmail. Stated in its simplest form, the accordance means that anyone who nukes either one of us will be fired upon by both of us. So, keep those itchy fingers under control.

AUSTRALIA to WORLD: Sorry about my lack of communication, but I've been real busy. I haven't heard much from you either!

BILL to TOM: Thanks for your great cartoons in the HIGHCHAIR DEPT!

ARIES: Thanks. But my departments will rarely repeat. Like, if my subxyn made it in time a few days ago, you would have been graced by the Brad Trutt Dept. Thought you'd get a kick out of 'em.

BILL to BOB: Can I have it? Huh? Huh? Can I have your land? Please?

CHINA to AUSTRALIA: That's better Willie, you asked politely. Yes, you may.

CHINA to AUSTRALIA: Swindler is one of those "Atari Democrats" we keep hearing so much about. Hyork hyork hyork.

BOB to UNCLE AL: You may think you have a good alliance there Unk, but let me clue you in, you won't last long with Woody. You can't afford that many hamsters.

ARIES: All true, but at least Herpes is forever...

BRAZIL to ISRAEL: That was the agreement, wasn't it partner?

FORTALEZA UN NEWS SERVICE: Authorities in this province are mystified at the increasing numbers of illegal United States aliens sneaking across the Brazilian border. While a solid explanation is not forthcoming, some border patrol agents suggest that many of the illegal aliens (known as "Greenbacks") arrive in Brazil by boat while others brave the jungles of Ven and Col to seek sanctuary from oppression. Rumors that they come to serve as a cheap and uneducated labor force for Brazilian industry. Another explanation is that most of these Greenbacks are political refugees from President Larry "El Loco" Neubauer's policies of "auto-genocide" (most of the refugees speak a dialect of English from the backward American areas of New York, New England and Philadelphia, the areas most likely to be "enlightened" by 'Tacomaker' if Presidente Neubauer doesn't get his shit together and go back to the 1836 borders). "A full UN com-

mission is being requested to investigate the Greenback problem," said one senior official, "We simply can't have these foreigners coming in and taking jobs away from native Brazilians, they get here with their strange foods and customs, they get on the welfare roles and have a zillion kids and they cause property values to go down...something's got to be done!"

ARIES: Well put.

BRAZIL to AUSTRALIA: Yes...well I think so...

BRAZIL to WOODY: You did what? You'd better explain that to me sometime.

ARIES: Yes Don, a "72". That's a "69" with three people looking on.

BRAZIL to CHINA: Agreed, if you can get him to do it.

ARIES: I certainly won't! Perverts! Where's Daf when you need her?

A JOKE THEY TELL IN CHINA: And so the one scumbas says to the other scumbas, "What will we steal from the martyred Chinese people next?" And the other scumbas says "Want Tibet?" And so the first scumbas goes there. What a fool!

MIKE MAZZER to TEMPEST: Hi. You world leaders don't know me too well, but I'd like to make you all an exciting proposition -(CRASH!! Umphh HELP!! Someone get this Russian off me!" ((whispers))..."it's not that kind of proposition Woody...((Gets up, dusts himself off))- I'm here to talk to you all about NTRS (the "Nuke The Russians Society"). The NTRS got its start in the United States and is rapidly spreading world-wide. Why? To find out, contact me, Mike Mazzer. The Address: The Nuke The Russians Society Headquarters; c/o Mike Mazzer; United States of America.

ARTOO to EADIE: Okay so let's see some comical ANTICS! Or are you too POKEy? Buzz buzz buzz! (That's computer talk for hyork hyork hyork).

EADIE to ARTOO: Yes, I am a little slow & POKEy. You must be a FORTRAN teller eh?

GAMEBITS

***ED's AMIDAR game is a postal game of Stellar Conquest, a game of galactic exploration and conflict. Normally, the game is played sequentially, but for postal play, turns are done simultaneously. What follows is a short game review of SC.

***Each player begins at a corner of the map and tries to seek out good planets to colonize. At his/her disposal, each player has: Colony Transports (to set up factories to build things), Warships (3 varieties: Escorts, Attack and Dreadnaughts) and Scouts (used to probe the contents of his opponent's taskforces and to search for suitable planets). The player with the mostest wins.

***The interesting aspects of SC are numerous. First, the players are forced to spend money (industrial units) on building warships and technology. Tech allows you to move quicker, build better ships, better defenses and/or build more efficiently. Should one research the Dreadnaught ship, or the robotic factory? It is decisions such as these (and what the other players build and research) that determines the winner. Another interesting aspect to SC is the hidden movement element. Ships move around in task forces, the contents of which are only known to the owning player and those who move onto a planet occupied by the task force. A task force could have just one scout, or a squadron of Attack ships! That's why scouts are invaluable. Normal movement in SC is from planet to planet; each taskforce or ship is given a destination which the player writes down. The ships must procede to their destination

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VANGUARD

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Turn 4 (M)

Auction Block Closes Prematurely

Dune

The Cast

House Atreides: Larry Neubauer (251 Cheswold Lane; Haverford, PA 19041)
Bene Gesserit: Alex Service (102 Awad Park; Erin, NY 14838)
House Corrino: Debbie Osborne (7804 Penrod; Detroit, MI 48228)
Fremen: Jim Gustafson (PO Box 1004; Kila, MT 59920)
The Guild: Mark Leudi (730 Atwater #15; Bloomington, IN 47401)
House Harkonnen: Earl Wiggers (3843 Gladney Dr; Cambley, GA 30341)

Storm Round

Storm moves two spaces, into sector 15.

Spice Blow

Worms appear in Cielago South (eats 4G, 4S) and Minor Erg (eats 8s). Blows appear in Red Chasm (8s) and Habbanya Ridge Flat (10s).

Bid Round

Card #	Buyer	Price	Type
1	H	3	
2	B	4	
3	G	3	

(Card type disclosed only to buyer and House Atreides)

1) Since no bids were submitted for the fourth card, the bidding thusly ends. Remaining cards for bid go up on the auction block next turn. Thought that would never happen...

2) There was a spice deal which Houses Atreides and Harkonnen and the Bene Gesserit made over the phone. I can not claim fault for any inaccurate outcomes, since I prefer spice deals to be written out on paper, and this particular deal was awfully complex. This is a summary of what happened. I'm still amazed that I finally understood what was going on....

"Atreides and Harkonnen both give all their spice to BG in order to collect CHOAM charity; BG then gives all spice back. After Harkonnen buys a card, he is to play his Karama card on the BG and to swap three cards; the Harkonnen is to use the Tleilaxu Gholia card to revive Feyd Rautha. BG is to also give Harkonnen 2 spice to help bid for cards and is to return it if available"

All this did happen: Harkonnen played his Karama and gave the Bene Gesserit three of his cards in return for Alex's hand. H played the Gholia to get his leader back. Two spice went to Harkonnen, and Harkonnen returned it at the end of the round. Oh, I forgot to mention that part of the spice deal was that Atriedes gives Harkonnen 6 spice. Boy, I'm still confused, and to think Bruce Linsey's houserules were tough..... Can we please keep spice deals limited to the mail?

Movement

	Revivals	Shipments	Onboard Moves
A	3	-	3 Ciel N-Red Chasm
B	1	advisors	1 Tuek's S-F Wall Sth
E	1*	5-Hab Rid S (b)	-
F	1*,2	1*,2-Sietch Tabr	1*,4 Hab Erg-Hab Rid Flat
G	1	1-Arrakeen(b)	2 Pasty Mesa-Red Chasm
H	2	1-Carthag(b)	-

BG Co-existence: Hostile in Tuek's Sietch and Sietch Tabr.

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Combats

In Sietch Tabr: Fremmen (2,2*) vs. Bene Gesserit (1)
 In Arrakeen: Atreides (10) vs. Guild (1)
 In Red Chasm: Guild (2) vs. Atreides (3)

The aggressor is always listed first and wins in case of ties.

Current Spice Holdings

	A	B	E	F	G	H
Last Turn	16	10	16	10	22	2
CHOAM	2	*	0	0	0	2
Bids	0	-4	10	0	-3	-3
Revivals	-2	0	0	0	0	0
Shipments	0	0	-5	0	5	-1
Gifts	-6	0	0	0	0	6
Total	10	6	21	10	24	6

* CHOAM already accounted for last turn

The Deadline

There will be a nexus coming up, so I will set a joint deadline for battleplans and alliance orders for April 20th, 1983. I won't say where the worm came up yet...

The Press

ATREIDES: Please attack me!

ARIES: Oh, like hurt me, man! (I know my sister is into leather) Larry, I know that the Baron Vladimir Harkonnen had a certain place for young boys your age (mainly, his bedroom).

TUEK'S SIETCH: Has somebody been eating press releases? Possibly confusing them with "Chips Ahoy" cookies or some other such delectable substance? I do remember sending you a few recently...

ARIES: And I returned the favor by sending you some bubblegum. What more do you want? You are even forcing your own little brother to subscribe (ie. PAY MONEY) to get his big brother's xyn. Well, I never! (But maybe Larry did?).

as quickly as possible, following a straight route (with minor deviation allowed to maneuver around gas clouds, which impede movement). Because of this system of preselecting destinations, it lends itself quite well to simultaneous movement. During ftf play, we can sometimes do several turns at a time in the early stages of the game because players have yet to make contact with one another.

***There are 3 flaws to the game. (1) Components are mediocre. You have to cut out by hand a bunch of cards. Fun fun fun! The counters are good, and the map is boring, but functional. (2) Small variety of ships. In other games, there are several types of ships instead of just three to choose from. (3) 40 game turn minimum makes for a LONG game (AMIDAR is on 2 week deadlines and is automatically adjudicated once all orders are on file, so it should take at most 2 years to complete! Now I see the advantage of playing Monopoly!) It costs about \$10. Not a bad buy. If you can't find SC in a local store, ask for it through Judge's Guild (address listed in ED #12).

***Next month, I should have the Dune game review; and Uncle Al said that his travelling has postponed his forwarding of the Nickname Custodian report to me, so Al sez it'll be to me soon. Maybe next ish? Should also have the maps for Vanguard and Amidar ready for next month. Why should Dip games and variants be the only games which get situation maps?

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Turn 5

Small-Stepper Gets Warm Reception

STELLAR CONQUEST

The Cast

- #1: Jeff Bohner (509 Twist Run Road; Endwell, NY 13760)
- #2: Debbie Osborne (7604 Penrod; Detroit, MI 48228)
- #3: Al Pearson (Box 898; Charles Town, WV 25414)
- #4: Mark Larzelere; 7607 Fountainebleau Dr #2352; New Carrollton, MD 20784)

The Moves

BOOVIANS: TFs at Dubhe, Altair, Aurigae, 0904, 1205 and 1402
TRUNG HEGEMONY: TFs at Luyten, 2306, Lalande and 2204
ZERT CHUMPDOM: TFs at Ross, Deneb, Diphda, Kapetyn, 1917, 2417, 2809 & 2714
REMULAK: TFs at Dubhe, Caph, Antares, Wezen, Vega, Bootis, Arcturus, 1017 and 0811

The Death

***A conflict occurred at Dubhe, resulting in the annihilation of Romulak's taskforce at Dubhe. Specifications of the combat will go only to the players involved.

The Press

TRUNG HOMEWORLD: The Trung are looking for a few good men! If you are a healthy male of your species and fertile, contact your nearest Trung Consulate for visas & travel brochures. We honor all passports. All major credit cards & currencies accepted.

The Deadline

***Turn 6 is due to me on or before April 15th. As usual, if I have everything before the deadline date, I'll adjudicate early so we won't be here forever, "Lost in Space". Your secret report accompanies the adjudication. I'd like to thank everyone for making their orders clear; that makes things much easier on me. I'll try to remind everyone of what technological investments they have at this point on the reports. One player forgot what was invested, and I forgot to send that bit of info to him/her. Hopefully, my forgetfulness and the player's forgetfulness didn't do much damage.

AMIDAR

Turn 6

Chumps Penetrate Forbidden Zone!

STELLAR CONQUEST

- #1: Boovians (Jeff) TFs at 1205, Dubhe, Aurig, 0908, Lupi & 1501.
- #2: Trung Hegemony (Debbie) TFs at 3010, Pherda, Alcor & 3006.
- #3: Zert Chumpdom (Al) TFs at Diphda, Sched, 2514, Alpha, 2709, 2806 & Kochab.
- #4: Remulak (Mark) TFs at Cygni, Cruci, 1616, Wezen, Mirac, 0814, 1619, 0414 & 0617.

***No conflicts or press.

***Again, I would like players to scrutinize their adjudications carefully. Especially around the build years. It is so easy to make a typo and not notice it. I hope to have a situation map in a turn or so. That would help make adjudicating it a lot easier. Question: Would it be okay if I did get a map to refrain from printing a listing of hexes for each taskforce?

***Also, you could send in orders now so that we can speed up the game. If I get all the moves by the end of April, I will adjudicate Turn 7 immediately. Otherwise, I will have to delay the game until my exams are over (May 13th).

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Male Reproductive Organ Tax

► Attach to Form 1040

1981

Name(s) as shown on Form 1040

Your social security number

Part I Computation of erection percentage

- 1 Enter length of full erection (see instructions)
- 2 Enter length of organ when not erect (see instructions)
- 3 Subtract the amount on line 2 from the amount on line 1
- 4 Divide the amount on line 3 by the amount on line 1. Enter the result at a percentage.
Carry to 4 decimal places

Line-by-Line Instructions

Line 1.—Enter the length of your organ when fully erect. Your organ will be considered fully erect if it is in the same state in which it is in when it achieves orgasm. The length is measured from the base to the tip. The length may be reported using either inches or centimeters. Indicate next to the reported length the method you are using. If you are unable to achieve a full erection, report on line 1 your organ's maximum length.

Line 2.—Enter the length of your organ when it is not erect. Your organ will be considered not to be erect when it is in the same state in which it is in when it hangs limp and is urinating. The length is measured from the base to the tip. You must report the length using the same unit of measure you used on line 1. If the

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Part II Computation of Tax

- you need not file Form 6969-M if you meet any of the three exceptions listed below:
- 5
 - 6
 - 7
 - You were under the age of 18 as of December 31, 1981.
 - You do not have a reproductive organ due to a birth defect, accident, or legal operation. You must attach a statement to your return stating that you do not have a reproductive organ to claim exemption.
 - 8
 - 9
 - 10
 - 11
 - 12 Age credit. (see instructions)

Special Cases

- If the length of your erection is less than the maximum length of your organ, you may report only the length of the erection on line 1.
- If line 2 is greater than line 1, enter zero on line 3 and 0% on line 4. You do not have to complete Part II.

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THE ARGHANISTAN AFFAIR

In a rare episode of Presidential candor, Jimmy Carter admitted that he was caught completely by surprise when Soviet troops rolled across the border into Afghanistan in late December 1979. "Whatever this startling admission says about Carter's naiveté, it also provides a disturbing example of how the state..."

Iranian Man With Serious Sexual Problems

DATE TIME CALLED-PLACE AREA-NUMBER SEE BACK MIN AMOUNT

3 25 829PM MINNEAPOLIS MN 612 379 1836 *E 2 .63

3 26 751PM QUEENS NY 212 353 9595 *N 183 28.62

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